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# The Editor's Page

**St. Louis, July 21-27, 1957**

From now on the big news of the year will be the convention of the National Association of the Deaf, to be held at St. Louis, Missouri, July 21-27, 1957. The Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel will be convention headquarters.

This writer, along with most of the N.A.D. Board Members, visited St. Louis during the summer and all were satisfied that the Association has picked an ideal location for its convention. The Local Committee, under the direction of Chairman Morris Campbell, is well along with plans for entertainment of the members, and an interesting program is shaping up. Board Member Casper Jacobson, who has expertly handled the program at two past conventions, is in charge of the St. Louis program. The hotel, one of the largest and best in the Sheraton chain, impressed us all as being completely adequate.

This St. Louis convention is going to be one of the most important of all N.A.D. gatherings, and it is to be hoped it will be attended by the largest crowd yet to take in a national convention. A number of important measures will be considered which will need the attention of as many members as can possibly be present. Most important on the agenda will be the reorganization plan which was adopted at the meeting of state representatives in Fulton, Mo., last summer. It will be up to the 1957 convention to determine whether or not the new plan is to become the new by-laws of the Association, or whether changes are to be made in it.

The N.A.D. laws as presently constructed do not provide for delegates, but every state association, and other affiliated organizations, are being asked to send their official delegates. These delegates will meet with the president in a round-table conference at the beginning of the convention, and it is expected that their opinions will contribute much to the deliberations throughout the business sessions. Every state association is urged now to select its delegate and inform the N.A.D. office as to his or her name and address.

Let us all begin now to make plans to be present in St. Louis July 21-27, 1957.

## Occupational Survey

The Occupational Survey which has been described in these pages on previous occasions is now well under way. Thousands of blanks have been distributed, and they have gone to practically every state. In most of the states

local workers are now interviewing their deaf citizens and having the blanks filled out. A large number of the forms were completed at some of the state conventions during the summer.

The important thing now is to see that every deaf person in the land has an opportunity to fill in one of the forms, and when this is done the forms should be returned to the N.A.D. office as soon as possible. All workers and interviewers are earnestly requested to complete the survey without delay, and all the deaf are asked to cooperate by making sure that they fill out one of the forms.

## Coins in the Mail

N.A.D. members paying on pledges and other contributors sometimes send in cash payments through the mail. Bills enclosed in regular envelopes apparently reach the N.A.D. office properly, but there have been indications that coins sent in letters sometimes disappear from the envelopes. Envelopes have been received with creases and markings indicating that they had contained coins at the time they had been mailed, but the coins were missing when these envelopes were received.

Members are advised not to enclose coins in letters or envelopes. It would be wise also not to enclose bills. The safest way to send money is by money order or check.

## Free Subscriptions

In order to stimulate increased N. A. D. memberships and subscriptions to THE SILENT WORKER, the N. A. D. for some time has been offering free subscriptions to the magazine with Century Club and Life Memberships. For example, a member paying one hundred dollars in cash in one payment receives a five-year subscription to THE SILENT WORKER, and a member paying \$20.00 in one payment receives a one-year subscription.

This arrangement has not been entirely satisfactory and the offer will be withdrawn when present application forms and other printed matter describing the offer have been exhausted. A Century Club membership in the N. A. D. means that a member pays \$100 to the N.A.D., but under the existing arrangements \$17.50 of the \$100 must be refunded to THE SILENT WORKER to pay for the member's subscription for five years, so the N.A.D. does not get the \$100 in full. On a \$20 life membership the N.A.D. pays \$3.50 to THE SILENT WORKER.

Another drawback to the plan is that it frequently happens that Century Club and Life Members who joined before this offer went into effect now expect the free subscriptions. When the offer was made it was not intended that it should apply to previous members. There has also been some misunderstanding among members paying on pledges. Some of those who are paying on Century Club membership in installments, for instance, expect to receive THE SILENT WORKER for five years, but the offer was made only to those who pay cash in full.

It is hoped the above will make the arrangement clear to our members, and it is hoped further than we can soon be in position to terminate such "bargain plans."

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# Schools for the Deaf

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## Gallaudet College

By Larry Stewart

**G**ALLAUDET COLLEGE, the world's only college devoted exclusively to the education of the deaf, was established in 1864. Two years prior to that, Dr. Edward Miner Gallaudet, then Superintendent of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf in Washington, D.C., called to the attention of Congress the importance of providing facilities for higher education for the deaf. He also suggested that his institution afford an opportunity for a college for the deaf, within its framework. Assisting him in this endeavor was the Hon. Amos Kendall, who was Postmaster General in the

Cabinet of President Andrew Jackson, and who founded The Kendall School for the Deaf in 1857. It was Mr. Kendall who employed Edward Miner Gallaudet as his first teacher.

At first there was much hot debate in both the House and the Senate, but Congress finally passed an Act authorizing the Board of Directors of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf "... to grant and confirm such degrees in the liberal arts and sciences ... as are usually granted and conferred in colleges ..." This was passed in April, 1864, and later signed by President



Dr. Leonard M. Elstad was born in Osseo, Wisconsin, on February 8, 1899, the son of a Lutheran minister. He graduated from St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn., in 1922, and in the fall of that year entered the Normal Training Department of Gallaudet College, now called the Graduate Department of Education. It was here that he met Margaret Waffter, who was to become his wife. The following year, he was appointed instructor of Freshman English and History by President Percival Hall. In the spring of that year, Dr. Hall offered him the Principalship of the Kendall School, which he readily accepted. The next year, Dr. Elstad became Assistant Principal of the Wright Oral School in New York City. The following spring, he became Principal. In 1932, he left to become Superintendent of the Minnesota School for the Deaf in Faribault, Minn., an office which he held until he became President of Gallaudet College in 1945.

This picture is a photographic portrait by Erich Hartmann, world-famous photographer.

Abraham Lincoln. In a formal ceremony, the college was opened to the deaf on June 28, 1864, under the name of the National Deaf-Mute College, and Dr. Edward Miner Gallaudet became its first President. Dr. Gallaudet did much to build up the college during his tenure. In 1910, Dr. Percival Hall was elected to succeed Dr. Gallaudet. Dr. Hall remained President until July, 1945, when Dr. Leonard M. Elstad, formerly Superintendent of the Minnesota School for the Deaf and Principal of the Wright Oral School in New York City, took

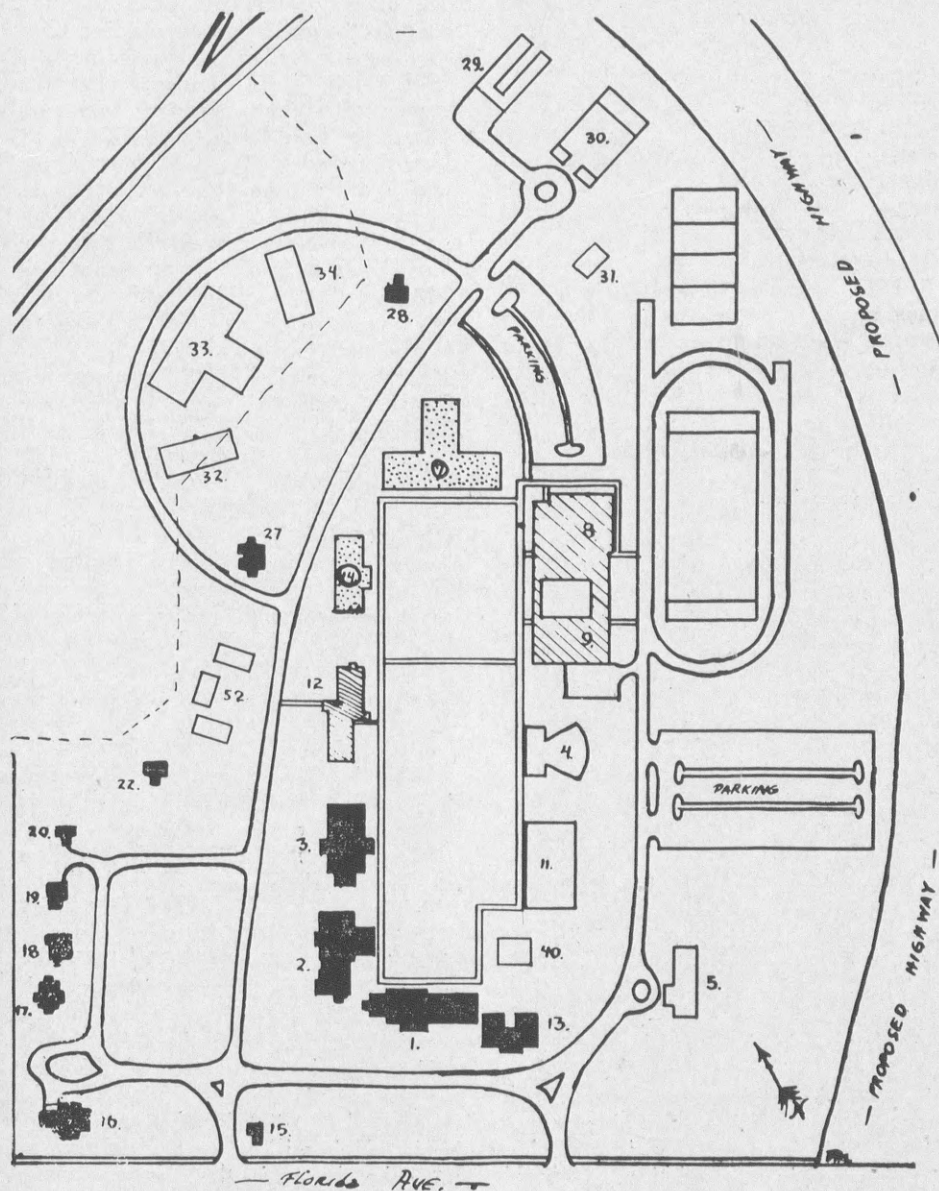
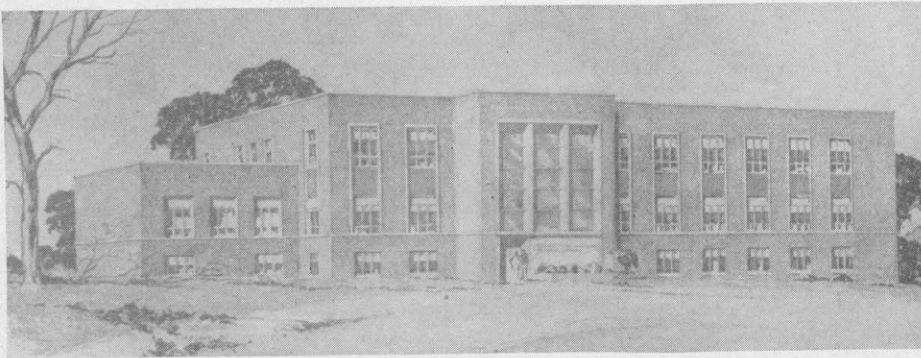
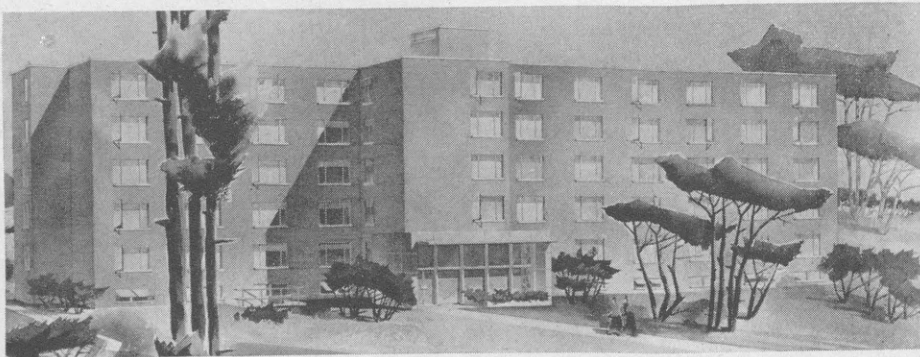


Diagram showing the plans for the buildings and grounds at Gallaudet College. Buildings in black are the present buildings. Those shaded with cross-hatching are those listed under stage 1 of the building program. Those dotted are future buildings, stage 2, and the ones outlined are stage 3. They are identified by numbers as follows: 1. Chapel Hall. 2. Administration and Dormitory. 3. Library. 4. Auditorium. 5. Men's Dormitory. 7. Class Room and Laboratory Building. 8. Physical Education and Activities. 9. Power House, Laundry, and Shop. 11. Cafeteria and Service Bldg. 12. Girls' Dormitory. 13. Fowler Hall. 14. Speech and Hearing Center. 15. Gate House. 16. President's Residence. 17-20, 22, 27, 28. Faculty Residences. 29. Greenhouses. 30. Maintenance Group. 31. Apts. for Maintenance Personnel. 32. Kendall School. 33. Kendall School Classrooms and Gym. 40. Old Kendall School. 52. Classroom Units.

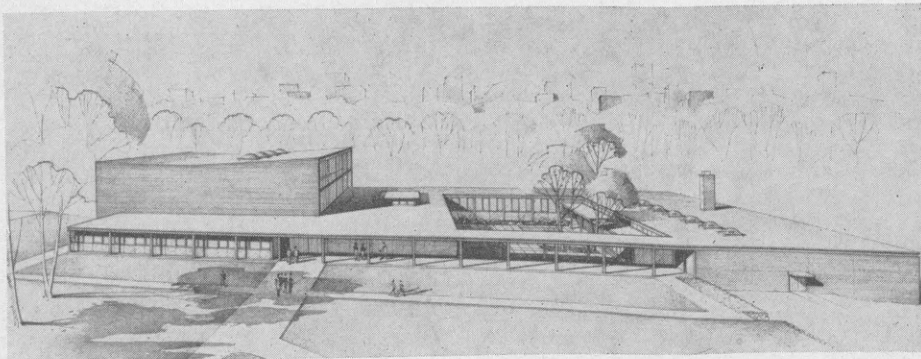




Edward Miner Gallaudet Memorial Library, completed early in 1956.



Architect's drawing of the Girls' Dormitory, to be built.



Proposed new ultra-modern gymnasium.

over. He has been at the helm ever since.

Gallaudet is a private corporation subsidized by the Government. The relationship between the college and the Government is interesting. Each year, in the early spring, the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW), under which Gallaudet operates, gets an estimate of funds needed for the following year. After careful consideration this request is presented, along with the budgets from its other units, to the Bureau of the Budget. In the fall of the year, usually in October, Gallaudet officials are called before the Bureau of the Budget to justify each of the requests. If these are approved, they become a part of the Bureau of the Budget report which is presented to the Congress in January. This is the budget of the President of the United States. If the requests are accepted by the Congress, they are submitted to the Presi-

dent for signature. Then the bill becomes a law and goes into effect at the beginning of the next fiscal year, which is July 1st. (Incidentally, the President also signs Gallaudet's diplomas, an honor enjoyed by only two other American institutions, West Point and Annapolis.)

The college is located on ninety-two acres of land in the northeast section of Washington, D.C. This acreage is known as Kendall Green and was the home of Amos Kendall. He donated to Gallaudet part of what is the present campus. The grounds and buildings on Kendall Green are valued at one and one-half million dollars. Many of the buildings were erected when Gallaudet was first established, and badly need replacing in order to meet the needs of the ever-increasing enrollment. The most recent building of major proportions, aside from the new library which is now nearing completion, is Sophia

Fowler Hall, which accommodates the young women of the college. This building was erected in 1917.

Until recent years, Gallaudet's position under the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare was not firmly established, and few efforts were made to secure more aid from the Government. Since Dr. Elstad became President in 1945, he has concentrated his time and energy to the Gallaudet of the future, which is rapidly becoming a reality today. Gallaudet is at present not accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, mainly because until now the college has been severely hampered by an inadequate physical plant, small staff and library, etc. A new accreditation survey is due very soon, and the college officials are confident that all requirements for accreditation will have been met by then.

In 1947, Dr. Harry Best, and in 1950, Dr. Buell G. Gallagher, conducted surveys to isolate and describe Gallaudet's major needs. In particular, the report of Dr. Gallagher, who is now President of the College of the City of New York, today forms an important guiding blueprint for the Gallaudet of the future.

When the old Federal Security Agency, of which Gallaudet was a part, became the new Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Secretary Oveta Culp Hobby appointed Mr. Edmund Baxter as liaison man between the college and her office. She took a real, personal interest in the fortunes of this unique institution which, until now, had been a sort of stepchild of the Federal Government.

At the heels of this action came a bill, H.R. 6655, to strengthen and otherwise formalize Gallaudet's relationship with the Federal Government. This bill, co-sponsored by Gallaudet board members John Phillips and Homer Thornberry, both of the House of Representatives, further provided for formal adoption of the name "Gallaudet College" in the Government's books, in place of the old "Columbia Institution for the Deaf." This bill was recently unanimously approved by both Houses of Congress, and signed into law by President Eisenhower.

With the Government's responsibility thus clearly defined and established, things began moving fast.

First came the Edward Miner Gallaudet Memorial Library. This building, which is almost to be opened, cost \$350,000, of which \$100,000 came from the alumni of the college. A gift of \$10,000 was presented by Eugene Meyer, publisher of *The Washington Post*, and the remainder came from the Government.

Few people are aware of this, but the Congress is also supporting a special request of \$20,000 for the purchase of books. This will be an annual request until the shelves in the Library contain



the basic books required. Delta Zeta, national women's sorority, is providing \$10,000 for the purchase of furniture for this new library. The college has been adopted by the 70-odd chapters of this powerful group as a national philanthropic project.

A new gymnasium, destined to be one of the most unusual, from the aesthetic viewpoint, in the United States, is almost ready to leave the architect's drafting boards. Groundbreaking for this impressive structure, which will feature a mammoth swimming pool out onto an open, tree-lined patio, was scheduled for early summer.

A new girls' dormitory has also been designed, and work on this building, which will be five stories high, with an elevator, is due to commence at the same time as work on the new gymnasium.

A Speech and Hearing Center (No. 14 on the plan), will make Gallaudet College one of the most important headquarters for speech and hearing services on the eastern seaboard of the United States.

A huge classroom-laboratory building (No. 7); ultra-modern auditorium (No. 4); cafeteria and service building (No. 11); men's dormitory (No. 5); maintenance buildings (No. 30); greenhouses (No. 29); renovated and improved athletic field; new quarters for the Kendall School (Nos. 32-34); and parking lots for almost five hundred cars, will make up the main structural work. This will be carried out in two more phases. New grading and landscaping is included in a budget which, all told, should come to a whopping \$8,571,000.

Thus, by 1964, Gallaudet's centennial, returning alumni will stand agape at the new Gallaudet, the Greater Gallaudet, a Gallaudet which will be one of the finest, best-staffed, and best-equipped small liberal arts colleges in the country, capable of accommodating seven hundred students.

(Larry Stewart, a student at Gallaudet College, wrote the above article as a class project in journalism, under the direction of Martin L. Sternberg, director of public relations at the College and teacher of journalism. THE SILENT WORKER hereby expresses its thanks to both Mr. Stewart and Mr. Sternberg, and when the former has completed his College work we hope he will contribute more to these pages.

Gallaudet College has contributed more to the lives of the deaf than any other single force or agency. It gives

Some scenes at Gallaudet College. Top, students enjoying a break between classes, on Chapel Hall terrace. Second, students from foreign countries enrolled during the year 1955-56. They represent England, Hawaii, Italy, India, Canada, Sweden, Norway, and Ceylon. Third, a typical scene in the college dining room. Bottom, a recent play, "Macbeth," produced by the students.

us most of our leaders, and many of our finest teachers and school administrators, who come from both its regular student body and its graduate department in education. It has provided a college education for over 3000 deaf persons.

The world of the deaf watches the present plans for expansion of the college with considerable interest, for they mean greater opportunities for still greater numbers of the deaf.

On the next page is a tribute to the College by one of its best known alumni, Dr. B. M. Schowe, of Akron, Ohio. Dr. Schowe says the College saved his life. It has likewise saved the lives of many others among us who have the honor to be numbered among its alumni. —Ed.)





# A Confession of Faith

By Dr. B. M. Schowe

THEY SAY THE DEAF should be taught to speak, that the sign language is only a bad habit which should be suppressed like any other evil practice.

Well—they are honorable men. They may even believe what they say. I wish I could believe it too, but . . .

My views are not necessarily logical. I did not get them by any logical process of reasoning. They were hammered into my thick skull with agony of spirit that brooked no argument.

It is more like a story that you have to feel. And it is proportionately hard to tell. Just let me set it down here as well as I can.

It begins with Gallaudet College and it ends there. You should know first of all that I have stated several times that Gallaudet College saved my life. That sounds like a very extravagant statement but you should read the story to find out just how extravagant it is. You be the judge.

I did not follow the beaten path to Gallaudet, never attended any school for the deaf until I enrolled on Kendall Green.

I was well along in Public School before anyone noticed that my hearing was short of normal voltage. No one knows when or how deterioration first set in. By the time I was in the fourth grade the teachers were giving me preference for a front seat and were careful to stand near me when making any announcement that I should hear.

Entering a school for the deaf at this stage—or for many years thereafter—would have seemed absurd to me and to everybody interested in me. They were called “asylums” in those days and all I knew about them was what I saw when I rode past the old school on East Washington St. on visits to Indianapolis. On these excursions to the Big City I thought it was as good as a circus to catch a glimpse of the children “talking on their hands” as we passed by. I had the general idea that they were a special race of people, like pigmies or maybe Eskimos. Either you were born that way or you weren’t. That was all there was to it.

But my deafness was progressive. There was a long procession of doctors with a varied assortment of operations and “treatments.” My parents were not wealthy by any means and looking back I marvel at all they must have sacrificed in their effort to free me from the clutch of deafness. In the end they were patronizing the kind of quacks who promised benefits from medicated steam baths and electric vibration machines.

One helped as much as the other, which was not at all. Slowly, inexorably, the voices around me were hushed. By

the time I was eighteen only a useless remnant of hearing was left. The most powerful hearing aid they could make did not help.

Even now, after two score years and more, it is painful to stir in the dust of these memories. It would have been easier perhaps if deafness had descended upon me all at once, a sudden illness. Then we might have recognized it for what it was and set about the business of making appropriate adjustments.

As it was, we never adjusted. We never abandoned hope. We were always sure that the deterioration would be arrested at some stage. I doubt if we ever completely surrendered hope of an actual “cure.”

Lacking all adjustment, I was constantly exposed to betrayal by my traitorous hearing. The one word that would give me the clue to the solution of a problem was always the one that was missing. Trying to keep up with my schoolmates, I was forever tumbling into ludicrous scrapes that might so easily have been avoided with better hearing.

They laughed at me and it seared my soul. I resented the front seat in school. I resented any special consideration from my teachers. I was as tough as the best of them, wasn’t I?

After one year in High School, marked with a failure in Latin, I embarked on a hodge-podge of adventures in education that ended inevitably in frustration. There was private tutoring for a time, an unprofitable year at a backwoods college in the South, lipreading lessons and even a correspondence school course.

Nothing of this sort could help me much, however. As Ernest Calkins observed shortly after the events set down above, life becomes endurable for the deaf only after they have accepted the fact of deafness.

I never accepted. I struggled incessantly against it and the harder I struggled the deeper the invisible bonds cut into my sensitive spirit. And at that age, around the middle teens, youth is terribly sensitive. I should know. Each little blunder was magnified to the proportions of a personal catastrophe.

At nineteen, demoralized and all but defeated, I boarded the train to Washington for one last desperate try. It was desperate because Dr. Hall, then President of Gallaudet College, offered me no encouragement whatever in the course of some earlier correspondence. My education was too hap-hazard and I was far from being what he could consider a good prospect.

There was just a chance, however, that a personal interview would clear



Dr. Ben M. Schowe is one of Gallaudet College's most noted graduates. He is shown here (left) during his senior year with Douglas Craig, M.M., a campus character well known to former generations of Gallaudet alumni.

the way and, on that forlorn hope, I set out for Kendall Green.

Dr. Hall was not in his office when I called that first morning and I strolled out into the hall at the precise moment when chapel services came to an end. The students came streaming through the hall, wave upon wave, on their way back to their classes.

It was a vision I had never hoped to see, a long, long parade of handsome carefree boys and girls “talking on their hands,” as gay as if they had never heard of the terrible blight of deafness.

In that moment I embraced the deaf, the College and all that pertained to it. In its way, the revelation was as profound as the conversion of Saul of Tarsus. Here was the stuff to make life worth living. I had seen it with my own eyes.

Of course my perspective is warped. I cannot see anything in this area with calm objectivity. Nevertheless, you will understand what I am thinking about when I say that Gallaudet saved my life. Speech alone could not help. I learned to speak as naturally as any child. I even escaped the language retardation that stands in the way of so many deaf children.

On the face of it, many advantages were on my side. Yet I was in desperate straits until I found Gallaudet and the sign language.

You can rationalize these facts and circumstances in different ways. Those who prove by logic that the sign language is a useless encumbrance probably will cling to their logic. Others who are more sensitive to the mysterious workings of the human heart will be less certain that the logicians really are infallible.



# Mental Health Clinic in New York Studies Average Deaf Citizen Helps With Personal Problems; Trains Workers

By Edna S. Levine, Ph.D.

Associate Research Scientist, New York State Psychiatric Institute

*(A paper read at the convention of the Jewish Deaf, New York City, July, 1956)*

My friends tell me that you are eager to hear about the work we are doing at the Mental Health Project for the Deaf; and I am here to tell you about it. But before I do, I want to go back several years when the project was only an idea and not yet a fact. I want to explain how it came to be, so that you will better understand what we are trying to achieve and how we must go about doing it.

About 5 or 6 years ago, a national convention was held in Washington, D.C. of psychologists from all over the United States. For the entire week of the meeting, their attention was concentrated upon ways and means of helping human beings live fuller, happier lives. It was wonderful to hear about the work done at all age levels; to see how concerned the psychologists were with the problems involved in growing up, in learning, in finding a happy goal in life, in successful marriage, successful parenthood, and in vocational success.

Now, such meetings are held all the time. Every year, countless scientific organizations hold conventions in order to learn more about people, their successes and their problems. I mention this one in particular because it was here that work was begun on a Mental Health Center for the Deaf.

Boyce Williams was present at this convention and so was I. As the days passed we were told more and more about the progress made with many different social groups. But not one word was said about the deaf. Both Mr. Williams and I had been concerned about this neglect of the deaf for a long time. Each of us had tried to do something to correct it in our own way. Many others were trying too. We wanted the same psychological services for the deaf as were available to hearing persons. We recognized the difficulties; but also the need. However, the efforts of just a few people amount to very little when there is a big job to be done. So Boyce Williams and I decided to join forces and make another determined effort to win for deaf persons the same attention given the hearing in the matter of mental health.

What we wanted was a center staffed by highly skilled workers where the same programs would be carried out for the deaf that are available to the hearing. We wanted a center where as careful a study would be made of the life

situation of the deaf members of society as had been made for the hearing; where workers interested in mental health work with the deaf could come for special training; where emotionally disturbed deaf persons could come for help. Such programs are known as Mental Health Programs. They are being carried out for hearing persons in numerous centers throughout the country, and have been for many years. But there were none for the deaf.

To cut short a long story that extends over a period of years of hard work and many disappointments, this plan finally won the support of all the important organizations in the field of the deaf. The next step was to find a highly qualified place that was willing to carry out such a program. Here we were very lucky, for we soon found out that a sincere interest in such a program existed at one of the outstanding research institutions in the world, the New York State Psychiatric Institute. It was not too difficult, therefore, to obtain the cooperation of one of its equally renowned department heads, Dr. Franz J. Kallmann.

This was wonderful. We couldn't ask for anything better. But we were still faced with the problem of getting the money to run such a center. And here we had another stroke of luck. For the first time in its history, the Federal Office of Vocational Rehabilitation in Washington, D.C., was given some funds for research. The director of the Psychiatric Institute was able, therefore, to apply to the O.V.R. for a research grant for setting up a Mental Health Center for deaf persons. In April 1955—at long last—a grant-in-aid was given to the Institute by the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation for the first Mental Health Center for the Deaf. As many of you know, I was drafted to help start off this pioneer project. What I tell you about its activities is therefore from direct observation and experience.

The first thing we had to know was what Mr. Average Deaf Citizen was like. When we want such information about Mr. Average Hearing Citizen, we turn to census reports. Here we are certain to find the published information about the populations of every State in the Union. We can determine their numbers, sex, race, marital status, education, income, employment, families and so forth. It is all printed in government publications for anyone to read.

The information is important because it gives us a good idea of Mr. Average

Citizen: his age, his education, marriage, family, his work, his income, and how he lives. Once we know these facts, we know Mr. Citizen's needs and we can plan how to better his life. But unless we know, we are working in the dark.

Now if we want to do the same things for Mr. Average Deaf Citizen that are done for Mr. Average Hearing Citizen, we must have the same kind of information about him. But there is no reliable up-to-date census information about the deaf population. This has been a great handicap in our work. The only thing we can do about it is to go out and dig up the facts by ourselves. And so this tremendous job is the first portion of the project-program. This is the research in which we are now engaged: finding out about Mr. Average Deaf Citizen what is common knowledge about Mr. Average Hearing Citizen.

In order to do this, our own workers are themselves carrying out this job that even the Federal Census Bureau found too hard. Our plan is to cover the whole of New York State, a task that will involve interviewing many, many deaf people. We are asking your cooperation in helping us get the facts. Once we know them, we are in a better position to use our influence to help deaf people everywhere live fuller lives. Please help us get to know Mr. Average Deaf Citizen. This is the first item on the Project Program.

At the same time, we are also concerned with deaf persons whose problems are causing more than ordinary disturbance and tensions. We all have problems of one kind or another. Wherever there are human beings, there are human problems. We solve them the best way we know how.

But sometimes, the problems get too big for us to be managed alone. We feel frightened, anxious, and lost. We need help. There are thousands of centers, agencies, and clinics throughout the country where hearing people may go for help. But very few for deaf persons.

This brings us to the second item of our Project Program, what may be called the Clinic activity. On two days a week, deaf persons from anywhere in the State of New York who want guidance or help with personal problems, may come to us for that purpose, preferably by making an appointment beforehand. Services are provided by qualified members of our staff. In the course of the past year, these workers have made great strides in getting to



know both emotional problems of the deaf as well as the manual methods of communication. And, of course, all information supplied at these interviews is kept confidential, as is true for any other part of a "clinic" examination.

In connection with this part of the program, and thanks to Dr. Kallmann's influence, the New York State Department of Mental Hygiene has directed all State Hospitals to report to us the admission of emotionally disturbed deaf persons. All the city hospitals in the metropolitan area are doing similarly. In this way we are able to help the hospitals manage the needs and problems of their deaf patients shortly after their admission, and constructive steps can be taken without waste of time.

Again thanks to Dr. Kallmann's influence, we have also succeeded in having a ward in one of our finest State Hospitals allocated to young deaf male adults who require hospitalization and who are good recovery prospects. The hospital attendants on this ward as well as its professional staff will receive their training through our Project training program about which I will tell you shortly. We hope to get a similar ward for female patients before long.

Further, teams of workers from our Project have been sent to upstate communities in order to help various agencies with the problems of some of their deaf clients. We have found a great need for this kind of mobile service. I cannot help but feel proud of the progress made to meet the need by the Mental Health Project for the Deaf in the very short time of its existence.

The progress in our fieldwork has been expedited considerably by similar advances in the Training Program, which is the third item of the Project agenda. The Training Program has been (and still is) the critical link between the long-term objectives of the Project and our main goal, that of understanding and helping the deaf community. Even before the grant was made, training was begun with classes in manual communications conducted by Mr. Mario Santin. The overall program now includes all aspects of what is known about deafness and the deaf, and is carried out in regular lectures as well as through field trips to schools, agencies and clubs, visiting lecturers, and through the field of literature. The psychological and psychiatric aspects of deafness are being similarly studied, supplemented by observations, demonstrations and case discussions. Classes in manual communications begun under Mr. Santin were taken over this year by the Reverend Donald Simon, Lutheran pastor to the deaf community of Long Island. In addition, we have Dr. Kallmann's lectures in various aspects of genetics, classes in neurology, special lectures in research techniques,



Following the naturalization ceremony, Eugene Landyshev, left, appears with Mrs. Joseph P. Youngs, Jr., his interpreter, Judge Kirkland, and Brig. Gen. Thomas A. Lane, one of the three Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

psychiatry, vocational rehabilitation, and Dr. Fowler's invitation to attend his staff conferences on hearing impairments, their diagnosis and treatment.

Over and above the regular training program of the Project, the staff members are at liberty to attend any of the special lectures in the field of psychiatry given under the auspices of the Psychiatric Institute itself. And again thanks to Dr. Kallmann's influence, not only are these facilities available to our center, but so too are the consultative services of other departments for any special problem that may arise.

Finally, two of our staff members have been encouraged to take their Doctorate degrees in the field of the deaf. Their studies are an important part of the total program and deal with twins, one or both of whom have impaired hearing. If you know of any, please report them to us by name and address. Write to: Miss Diane Sank, The Department of Medical Genetics, 722 West 168th Street, New York 32, N. Y.

This, in brief, is the story of the Mental Health Project for the Deaf to date. We are only at the beginning of a vast and difficult assignment. We have much to do; we have a long way to go. We ask your help, your cooperation, and your good wishes. But even now, I can say that thanks to the Project, the welfare of the deaf is arousing more interest throughout the state of New York than at any previous time in history. For this alone, among many other things, we are humbly grateful. We are agencies too to all the wonderful people, schools, organizations and agencies who have given so generously of their assistance to us in the past, and who, we hope, will continue to do so in the future.

### A New Citizen

A touching ceremony took place last spring in the large ceremonial courtroom of the United States Courthouse in Washington, D.C. Federal Judge James R. Kirkland administered the oath of citizenship to sixty-three persons. Among them was a young deaf man, who came to this country with his parents in 1949.

To Eugene, the moment when he became an American citizen was the realization of a dream of many years.

Eugene was born in the Ukraine, in Russia, and lost his hearing at the age of eight, from German measles. The Nazis, in great need of technical workers, seized his electrical engineer father and moved him and his whole family to Germany. As this time Eugene was ten and the period in Germany caused his education to suffer a serious set-back, for he was unable to attend school. His social life was not much better: "It was very hard to get along with the German children because of the difference in our language, and I was very lonely."

After the war, with the help of relatives, the whole family moved to San Francisco on a regular immigration quota. This was in 1949. After a period of adjustment, Eugene enrolled at a public school that had classes for the hard of hearing. Shortly after this, he moved to the regular classes with normal pupils, and held his own very well. He was graduated early in 1954, and upon the advice of his vocational counselor, entered the Berkeley School for the Deaf. He remained there a short time, when he received word that he could enter Gallaudet College, and he began his career there.

After graduation Eugene plans to enter the field of physical science, and is planning to do research work in physics.



# MANUALLY SPEAKING . . .

By Max N. Mossel

## Fifth of a Series

Although a four-letter word, *path* is almost never spelled out, and it is invariably signed thus: "small way." This sign not only smacks too much of baby talk, but it also deprives a child of an opportunity to learn the actual word. It would indeed be interesting to know what could happen to the best and biggest electronic brain, programmed to associate the manual "small way" with the verbal "path," and then fed with the following manual data: "He did as well as he could in his own *small way*," or with the verbal data: "the *path* of learning." We'd hate to be in its quivering tubes.

The above example probably won't happen like this, considering what scientists can do, and now, many a deaf child is like an electronic brain but with a God-made capacity for growth. Until he is able to resolve the difficulty of language, he has to be programmed to gear manual data with written and spoken language. It goes without saying that he should be fed early and often enough with the *more* precise manual data, or he is liable to blink and blow his "tubes" language-wise.

We could at least be helpful to him and his type, sort and kind by initializing synonyms whenever it is feasible to do so. Accordingly, we are taking up the basic *way* — a sign so versatile that it also means *path*, *street*, *road*, *highway*, *lane*, and others. We have to refer to some city streets derisively called "streets engineered by cows" in order for you to appreciate the sign for *road* and the likes. What was a pure and simple cow-path evolved into a road (later improved into a highway), and then into a city street. Thus, we sign according to the way a road turns, describing parallel arcs curving to one side and then to the other. The elaboration, together with initialized signs, is as follows:

**WAY or STREET:** From either B or flat hands — palms facing each other — about six inches apart. Now point them obliquely towards the ground, and describe a short run to the left and another to the right before moving the hands straight ahead (Fig 1a - 1b). Note: *way* may either be initialized or just spelled out.

**ROAD:** Point R hands obliquely toward the ground, and describe a short turn to the left and another to the right before moving the hands out in the front (Fig. 2a - 2b).

**HIGHWAY:** With H hands pointing obliquely (Fig. 3a - 3b), go thru the same manner of delivery as that for *road*.

**LANE:** Referring to Fig. 4a - 4b, the L hands are moved in the same way as others.

**PATH:** Index fingers of P hands don't have to point obliquely as shown in Fig. 5a - 5b because middle fingers joined by thumbs are already pointing downwards anyway. Move the hands smoothly as in others. **CAUTION:** Don't jerk up the hands, for in doing so, you may be making the sign for *peddle*, which, incidentally, is an initialized sign invented a few years ago to harmonize with *sell*.

While on this subject, we will take up *sidewalk*, which is a compound sign meaning "concrete or hard way"; that is, sign "concrete" and the "way." A good reason why *highway* should be initialized is that it is now signed exactly like *sidewalk*.



Fig. 1a—1b  
WAY or STREET



Fig. 2a—2b  
ROAD



Fig. 3a—3b  
HIGHWAY



Fig. 4a—4b  
LANE



Fig. 5a—5b  
PATH



## The Educational Front and Parents' Department

By W. T. Griffing, Editor

Well, friends, we certainly did start out with every intention of meeting the deadline this once as a sort of surprise to you who have been so faithful and so understanding of the shortcomings of men. But, and there are always buts,



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several things came up to throw a left-handed monkey wrench right in the middle of our well-oiled machinery.

Listen, you skeptics:

1) The little lady decided that she was entitled to some

breakfasts-in-bed, so off she went to a hospital for some surgery. With her departure, the whole world crashed down on our frail shoulders. Where is that wise guy who said a housewife's lot is a soft snap? We would like to meet him. We got so discouraged that all of our vowels became consonants.

2) Princess, the miniature Doberman Pinscher, has had us helping with her layette because she says she does not expect any pink-blue showers.

3) The mercury has hit 100 or better day after day until we have taken to sleeping in the refrigerator.

4) If you are not convinced by now, there doesn't seem much use of continuing this interesting discussion.

### Those Texans joined the Dollar a Month Club!

We read in the papers that several teacher colleges are awarding Master of Teaching degrees at the summer session. That interests us.

We fail to see how all that psychology, education, et al, is going to make a person a master teacher. Please do not misunderstand us. We think it admirable and commendable that teachers strive to better themselves, yet we fail to subscribe to the theory that more book learning puts that master touch on a teacher. We have contended all these years that it takes a wise and level head and a great and understanding heart to make a classroom a classhome.

### We bet there'll be a boat ride down the Mississippi

We were hoping that we would be able to attend the language and reading workshop which was held at the Kansas School for the Deaf in late August through the kindness and thoughtfulness of Messrs. Roth and Parks. Our school, however, opens just a day or two after the final session at Olathe, so we shall have to forego the pleasure and the honor of once again being a pupil under that old master, G. C. Farquhar of the Missouri School who will be in charge of the reading section.

We know it for a fact, right now, that those who were fortunate enough to be able to attend returned home better prepared to help Johnny read.

### Do not let that friend borrow your copy of the "Worker"!

We had a very pleasant time in Fort Worth attending the convention of the progressive Texas Association of the Deaf. Those Texans are go-getters. They know what they want, and they somehow get it.

BBB was there for some oratory and some contact work that did a lot of good for the NAD. We say again: that guy is a glutton for work, and that it will be long before we can find so efficient and affable a leader.

Just attending a convention of the deaf is an education in itself. We wonder why more superintendents do not make it compulsory for their teachers to attend such gatherings. They are engaged in the business of teaching the deaf and anything that will give them a better understanding of those whom they seek to serve should certainly be one of their goals. We know of no better place to obtain this understanding of the deaf and their problems than at a state convention.

Were we an outsider, we certainly would be impressed to see a smiling, well-dressed deaf person step out of a new car, to stay at one of the leading hotels. It would register, automatically, that this person has something on the ball, deafness or no. Wouldn't you feel that way, too?

And, if this educational experience could carry further into the home towns of those solid citizens, the observer would find that they live in nice, well-kept homes, have bright children, and command the respect and admiration of the neighbors.

The state schools prepared them for this way of living. The schools have been doing some wonderful work all these years but too few of the theorists appreciate the fact—they cannot see the forest because of the trees.

We think these conventions are wonderful things. They do the deaf a great deal of good. We just hope to see the day when a superintendent will line up his teachers and say: "I shall expect to meet you at the . . . convention in . . . ." We honestly believe it would be a wonderful investment for any school to make.

### The NAD is opening up new Civil Service jobs!

I Give You Humor is indeed a nice little department in which to browse around when you need a chuckle. Mrs. Edna Bavnes is humor wrapped neatly up in gilt paper. Whenever we run

across her, we count our lucky stars, meanwhile holding our sides for the racks of laughter that will surely shake us. We always feel better after these encounters. We have an idea that she, plus Harry, will show up in St. Louis, so we are getting ready for some of the loudest guffaw sessions this or that side of the Mississippi.

### If you do not like the NAD, join up, then work to improve it

After our letters to the leading TV stations in the state, we now get tornado or adverse weather warnings in such a way that a deaf person has no trouble in following them. How is it in your section?

The following appeared in the TV Guide, for the week of June 23-29. We like it. You will, too:

With just a little extra effort, television stations can perform a tremendously important news service for hard-of-hearing and deaf viewers.

These handicapped viewers manage to enjoy television even when they cannot hear the sound. Most of them are accomplished lip-readers, and they can follow a newscast when the announcer is speaking the news.

They cannot, however, follow news bulletins that interrupt regular broadcasts or come on the air at unscheduled times between shows. Usually, the technique used by the station—or network—is to flash a slide reading "News Bulletin" or "News Flash," and have an off-camera announcer read the news. A deafened person, seeing only the slide and not being able to hear the news being read, remains uninformed. There are occasions when knowing what's going on in the world and in our own local communities is of vital importance.

In the case of such bulletins as local flood, tornado or hurricane warnings, it is conceivable that lives might be lost unnecessarily because these viewers could not hear the bulletins.

The obvious, and simple, answer to this is to offer viewers something more than just a "News Bulletin" slide. Stations in tornado or hurricane areas might prepare in advance a series of warning slides that could be flashed on the air when the need arose. If a live camera crew is on duty, the news headline could be chalked on a blackboard. Finally, all stations have slide blanks on which special messages can be written or printed within a few minutes.

We urge all stations to consider the plight of the deaf in emergencies and to take whatever steps are necessary to keep them informed on news bulletins that might affect them.

### \$12 a year will bankrupt no successful deaf person

We have to stop now in order to carefully pry the seat of our trousers from our chair. It is that hot. We have enjoyed this little visit with you. We hope the three R's are treating you all right; if not, give us a ring and we will try manfully to do something about it.

We have a date with the Kansas people at their convention in Topeka. We hear that Gordon Kannapell will be there, too, so we can count on some laughter-medicine coming from him.

We will see you again and we are going to meet a deadline one of these days or die trying. Thanks for wandering this far with

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## SWinging 'round the nation



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DEADLINE FOR NEWS IS THE  
20TH OF EACH MONTH.

### WASHINGTON, D. C. . . .

Vacations have been the topic in the locality . . . The Earl Stevens motored transcontinent to Arizona and New Mexico. . . The John Nicols took in the Ohio School Alumni Reunion. . . The Duncan Smoaks attended three state conventions: Tennessee, Virginia, and South Carolina. . . Vacation plannings are scheduled for the Tom Cuscadens to Omaha, Neb., the Leon Auerbachs to Arkansas, the Al. Fleishmans, James Taylors, and Walter Hausers to various points in Florida, Irving Hobermans to New Jersey.

Visitors: NAD Prexy Burnes and NAD Secy. Greenmun on business. . . Mrs. Jim Davis of Rochester, N. Y., as guest of the Jack Allens and attended the VAD confab. . . The Arthur Allens of Toledo, guests of the Edwin V. Engelaus, also VAD coers. . . The John Logans of Florida. . . Sally Auerbach of New York City visiting her brother for a few days.

The Preston Newtons (Velma Austin) are proud parents of a girl born July 10th, weighing 7 lbs. 4 oz. and is named Florenda. . . The Victor H. Galloways, formerly of D. C., celebrated the arrival of their first born in Atlanta, Ga., a girl named Dawn Cheryl, on July 15th, weighing 9 lbs. 3 oz. Mama Scott took her first air flight to aid her daughter. . . Sir Stork is awaited by the Frank Turks, Mark Waits, L. Schaffners, Richard Wrights, and several others not yet so sure.

The most unusual event taking place here lately was the library brigade, in which willing and spirit-minded Gallaudet alumni and friends helped to transport books from the old library to the newly erected Miner Gallaudet Memorial Library. Some 60 young and old hauled boxes and loads of books for some 4 hours. Orchids go to Mrs. Hall, Roy Stewart, Elmer Bernsdorff, who, despite their years, bravely answered the call. Among the 60 were three New Yorkers who came down to give a hand: Mario Santin, just back from Europe, and the Franz Aschers.

Gerald Jordan, proclaimed as D. C.'s outstanding casanova, was tendered a birthday party at the home of Fred Schreibers. Only 29 years old and a bachelor, he celebrated gayly, not forgetting to tug along his 35-mm camera and flash battery.

The Frank Turks, L. Schaffners, Jerome Moers, Effie Gallimore and daughter Shirley, and Roy Chandler were among the DCers attending the wedding of Leo Jacobs of Oakland, Calif., and Dorothy Morrison of Durham, N. C. After a brief honeymoon in Pennsylvania and NYC, the newlyweds called on their DC friends and a wedding shower was tendered to them in Kendall School reception room. Tables loaded with gifts showed the esteem of their friends.

The Harry Jacobses were brought to D. C. via the trusted Packard of the J. Moers and were guests of the Al Fleischmans for a couple of days.

The All-Star baseball game in Griffith Park drew wide acclaim from the easterners. Fortunate to obtain tickets and witness the game were Leon Auerbach, John Wurdemann, the Richard Caswells, and S. M. Bushnaq. Also seen at the game was Supt. Ambrosen of Maryland School, along with Coaches Brehens and Yates.

Mrs. Charles Moscovitz attended the first convention for the Jewish deaf held in NYC. . . Mrs. Kitty Humphrey returned for the summer from Venezuela, South America, and underwent a major operation. She is reported doing nicely. . . Mrs. Chandler is under medical treatments in her home town in North Carolina. . . Donald Bullock, vocational teacher at W. Virginia School, is spending the summer here working as a carpenter. . . Clarence Allmandinger, the roaming printer, will take to the road again going westward. . . Betty (Douglas) Daulton of Montana showed up in town with plans to find work and remain here. . . Doyle McGregor was victim of an accident occurring to his index finger which was caught in the door of a car. . . New car owners are Irving Hoberman, '56 Chrysler; Jose Berrios, '56 Pontiac; Conrad Stedrak, '56 Olds.

A good delegation was seen at the Maryland School Alumni Ass'n meeting which worked out a re-organization policy in form of a state association. Taking active part were Robert Duley, Al Fleischman, Ernest Schuster, George Singer, Leon Auerbach, Richard Phillips, Harold Domich, and Rudolph Hines. The state ass'n. goes into effect with the election of new officers in 1958.

A good number took in the VAD convention in Richmond. Reuben I. Altizer conceded to Mr. Null in the presidential election. . . The Holy Name Catholic Center failed again in its bid to get the 1958 national convention with Louisville, Ky., taking the laurels.

Donald Padden and Joe Rose are working together in a printery in Gaithersburg, Md., to accumulate more time and experience before applying for their ITU cards. . . Sandy Ewan, son of the Alex Ewans, is learning the trade as a "printer's devil."

### SOUTH DAKOTA . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Doering of Omaha were the week-end guests of his mother the first part of June. The following Sunday they went to Mitchell, S. D., to visit her father and sisters and they left their older daughter with the family for a longer visit of two weeks.

July 14th was the Saturday night Pinochle meeting at the home of Mrs. and Mrs. Norman Larson, Sr. at Jasper, Minn. The winners will be announced at the end of the series of games which began in June.

Walter Hespe, better known as a good track runner and a former S. D. School for the Deaf product, has been in Sioux Falls looking for work this past week in July, but in vain at this writing. Here's hoping he will find something here so there will be one more gain on the basket ball team. Don't give up — there may be something for you later on.

June 24th was a good day for the deaf to gather at Huron — cool for everyone's com-

fort. The M. R. H. Club engineered the picnic and most of the people claimed "it was really lots of fun."

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Jensen of Brookings spent the week-end in Sioux Falls July 14th. Wally could not find any work here — he would have liked to live here so he could have a part on the basketball team.

Another picnic for the deaf was held in Watertown on July 22nd, and another at Norfolk, Neb., on the same day.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Larson, Sr., went to Marshall, Minn., to attend the services by Rev. Thevdt of Faribault on July 15th. After the services they had a picnic dinner.

The two older daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Clark (Buddy) Berke of Michigan are spending the rest of the summer at the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roman Berke, as well as with other relatives. They have grown a lot.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Myklebust of Council Bluffs, Ia., came to attend the wedding of Dora Mae Stoeber and Norman Larson, Jr. Norman is a nephew of Joe.

A double bridal shower was given in honor of Mrs. Norman Larson, Jr., whose marriage occurred on the 6th of June, and Miss Betty Brown who was to be married September 2nd. The home of Mrs. Annie Olson has filled with about twenty ladies for the shower; the committee being Misses Lucille Thomas, Judy Larson, Barbara Dawson, Bernice Loff, and Doris Rehfeldt. Among the out of town ladies were Mesdames Jacob Sievert of Akron, Ia.; Jacob Oordt of Orange City, Ia.; and Peter Dalgard of Sherman, S. D.

Mr. and Mrs. Arvin Massey (Alice Helberg) have returned from their wedding trip to Detroit and are now domiciled at 316 East 15th St., Apt. 5.

Merlin Noteboom of Denver spent a part of his vacation in Sioux Falls, visiting his old friends.

Mrs. Waldemar Krohn of Montana spent three weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Krohn.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Cordes had a good chance to sell their home on South Grange and have bought a smaller home on 204 North Chicago Ave. They have a beautiful back yard with a patio and they can have picnics right at home.

Principal Eugene Thomure and family motored to the parental home of Mrs. Thomure for the third part of July. It is somewhere in Illinois.

Morrell's, where many of the deaf men are employed, has a slack season in business every summer, and the men work only 8 hours per day, while in the winter they work as much as ten hours a day. As a side job, Don Servold has been working mending roofs, making cement floors or foundations and walks and he has Jerold Berke and Leo Bender as his assistants. All these men have families to provide for.

In the Argus-Leader papers there was an item telling of the Colwill-Mileagers women's softball team splitting a doubleheader at Huron on Sunday, July 15th. The locals collected 7 hits, three of them by Joanne Steans. Joanne is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stearns, and is some baseball player.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Ruedebusch and baby vacationed for two weeks at her parents' home and visited her sister and friends. They came back all refreshed and Mrs. has gained 5 pounds, which she started to lose right away. They also found that the garage and breezeway, built during their absence, was ready for painting, so they got busy right away.

Mrs. Lamont Brush of Los Angeles, Calif., was in Sioux Falls visiting her relatives for three weeks, which was unknown to the deaf friends. It was a few days before she had to return home that she visited them. Friends here were sorry for not having much time for a



good visit. Dorothy, when you come out here next time, please let us know.

Bernice Loof and John Hutchins were married August 18th. They have found a three room house with a garage on 40th Street and have a lovely yard.

Superintendent and Mrs. A. S. Myklebust and son John went to Canada for their vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Taylor spent their vacation in July with her folks up North; after leaving the children with her folks, they went to Minneapolis to spend two days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Erickson. They had a very enjoyable trip with the exception of no luck at fishing.

The Louis and Henry Pesipsil brothers in Worthington, Minn., thought of selling their home which they purchased two years ago when their nephew and family lived with them.

Miss Marie Mueller and her friend from St. Louis, Mo., arrived at Yankton to spend a week's vacation in July; at the same time her dad happened to have the same week for his vacation, so they took a motor trip to the Black Hills for a couple of days. Her mother did not go along because she is unable to stand trips in hot weather. The girls returned to St. Louis by plane July 22nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Skorheim of Huron have bought a station wagon (1956), feeling they can make good use of it by sleeping in it on their vacation trips.

Dean Keefe and Bob Dillman, South Dakota school students, and James Potter of Minnesota passed the Gallaudet College entrance examinations but the first boys have decided to stay in school and finish their high school course. James will go on to college. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Potter of Windom, Minn., well known in this territory.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stearns, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Krohn, Mrs. B. L. Otten, and Clyde Ketchum attended the Maurice Potters' 25th anniversary at the Lutheran Church in Windom, Minn., in May. Others among the large crowd were Mr. and Mrs. Norman Larson of Jasper, Minn., and their daughter, Judy.

Mrs. Ron Stordzas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Oordt of Orange City, Iowa, has signed to teach in one of the schools in Sioux City, Iowa, this fall. Her mother will be baby sitter while her husband finishes out his term in the Marines, which ends in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Leland and son have moved from Grafton, N. D., to Watertown, S. D., where Dick has secured a linotype sit.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Shockman (Mary Rogers) of Watertown have built a new home and are already living in it. They are now awaiting an addition to their family in September. Neil was a North Dakota graduate and is a linotypist.

## MICHIGAN . . .

From Clare Hardenburg, 812 Jenne St., Grand Lodge, Michigan, come the following news items:

Our Detroit Chapter enjoyed a splendid attendance at the Memorial Day Picnic at Walled Lake with around 500 people coming from all over. Then Lansing Chapter also held their annual picnic at Alevard Lake on July 15 with a goodly attendance, too.

Alva Canden, Phyllis Helterly, and Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Henick drove up to Cleveland last spring, taking the new Ohio Turnpike.

Nobody had more fun out at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clare Hardenburg in Grand Lodge last April than Mary. Miss Phyllis Helterly turned their home upside down in an all-out effort to throw a gala surprise party for Mary on her birthday. She received many gifts and enough cash to buy a Sunbeam electric frying pan, an item she had long coveted.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Anderson are building

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## QUESTIONS AND OPINIONS

on

# Parliamentary Procedure

By Edwin M. Hazel

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September, 1956

"Anger and Haste Hinder Good Counsel" — Anonymous

Q. Is it true that the president should go into another room during an election if he is a candidate for re-election?

A. It is not necessary for him to leave the chair as the election is for a "President," not the person. However, it is usually up to the president to choose one way or other as he may deem advisable. He may remain in the chair and vote for himself if he so desires.

Q. Is the ruling of a parliamentarian final?

A. No. The parliamentarian advises. The Chair (President or presiding officer) makes decisions or rulings.

Q. Our club at the last monthly meeting was considering a revision to the bylaws when it was noticed that each article was to be voted upon separately. An objection was raised, but no change was proposed in the procedure. What should have been done to change the procedure?

A. A member should have made a motion to consider the revision *seriatim* (serially). It is appropriate to adopt the revision by considering and amending each article separately and then to adopt the revision as a whole. It requires a majority vote to adopt the motion to consider *seriatim*.

Q. Does a sub-committee when so appointed become an addition to the regular (parent) committee with equal privileges?

A. No. The sub-committee is simply to assist the parent committee and is subject to instructions by the same. Its report should be presented to the parent committee, not to the assembly.

Q. Has a member the right to see the Minutes? (b) The Treasurer's books?

A. Yes, usually in the presence of the custodian or Secretary or Treasurer.

Q. Suppose an appeal is made from the Chair's (presiding officer's) decision, should the Chair leave the chair to explain the reason for his ruling?

A. No. He remains in the chair. The Chair has the right to explain his decision before the appeal is voted upon.

Q. Should the President or Chairman be counted to constitute a quorum before a meeting may legally be held?

A. Yes, because the President is a voting member of the club and he does not forfeit his right to vote by virtue of his office as president. He may vote

whenever his vote will affect the result as in the making or the breaking of a tie vote.

Q. Suppose a motion to adopt a committee's report that contains recommendations is tabled, what becomes of it?

A. The committee's report is tabled and the recommendations go to the table with the report and when the report is taken from the table, it opens to discussion on the recommendations.

Q. Can a meeting be called back to order after the Chair has declared the meeting adjourned?

A. No. The Chair should always ask if there is any question or motion to submit or offer—(pause)—before declaring the meeting adjourned.

Q. Some friends hold that it is possible or permitted, according to the state law for an incorporated (non-profit) organization, to present an amendment at any regular meeting and have it voted upon without giving previous notice despite the fact that the rules of the Association stipulate that a 30 days' notice must be given. Is that true? — State Association

A. No. The notice as specified in the Bylaws must be given. The state law governs only the kind of meeting at which the bylaws may be amended.

Q. May a special meeting be called to act upon an amendment to the Bylaws between regular meetings which meet annually, biennially or the like? In other words, the Bylaws provide that they may be amended at regular meetings of the Association, notice having been given. The question is now raised whether the amendment may be acted the object being stated in the call, and then have the adopted amendment ratified at the next regular session (convention).

A. No. The Association cannot ratify an action, because it could not itself have legally taken same.

Q. Is it true that the Chair has the right to rule a troublesome member out of order for using discourteous language in debate?

A. Yes. Member must AVOID unnecessary harshness. Remember, discourteous or insulting language is an insult to the assembly. However, the troublesome member may quickly apologize for his unintentional harshness. After apologizing, the member may resume the floor to debate as if nothing had happened during the course of debate.



## SWinging . . .

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themselves a beautiful new ranch home over in Haslett, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Swagart had just moved into their lovely 3 bedroom home when their first baby, a girl, arrived May 8th. Double cause for rejoicing; new home and new baby!

Another happy event occurred several weeks ago at the home of Mrs. Winifred Moran in Portland when two dozen friends gathered to help her celebrate her 65th birthday. Mrs. Clare Hardenburg and Mrs. John Maupin were in charge of the festivities and among out of town visitors at the party were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Winegar of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. L. Williams, also of Flint, and Mrs. Harold Preston of Detroit.

Mrs. Earl McKenzie passed away quite suddenly May 31, we have just learned. Details of her death are not known at this writing.

Mrs. Blade Virkstis flew up to Minnesota for a two-weeks vacation and a long visit with her pal of school days.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Larime are flying to Germany where they will spend three weeks with their daughter and their son-in-law, who is stationed there. All of us will be much interested in hearing of their adventures while in Germany.

We learn with regret and sympathy that Arthur Hackert has been confined to the County Tuberculosis Hospital and also that Mrs. Veinette Rumbold has spent five weeks in St. Joseph Hospital undergoing major surgery. Veinette's sister flew down from Washington to be with her and we learn at this writing that she is much improved and will soon be well again.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Zieske took an auto trip down south and as far west as Arizona and California, where Mrs. Zieske's father and his sister are now living.

Miss Thelma Heck, the Sofie Tucker of Deafdom, made quite an impression recently when she passed out of the Chevrolet class and bought herself a '56 Buick Century two-door sedan. Now she is riding around in style, to put it mildly.

Miss Lucille Bowyer chose a new Ford when she traded in her old car and she says there is no faster car on the road than a Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lauer of Pontiac have just bought and moved into a cozy new bungalow and friends are busy congratulating them and inspecting the new abode.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hardenburg are motoring to Tennessee as this is written, to be gone a week.

## KANSAS . . .

Death claimed Rev. Ernest Christian Sibbersen of Topeka on June 19. Rev. Sibbersen, 70, was nationally known for his work among the deaf and blind and as Pastor of Topeka's First Church of the Deaf, he toured for many years conducting religious services for the deaf and blind in Kansas cities. Blindness forced him to retire from active work several years ago. Funeral services were held at Topeka's Trinity Lutheran Church on June 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jennings spent several busy days recently. They gave the outside of the Jennings home a really nice coat of paint and the place looks most attractive as a result.

Mrs. Charles Conradt, Wichita, hosted a Tupperware party at her home during June with a dozen ladies attending. The gathering was the most enjoyable of its kind and Mrs. Conradt was assisted by Mrs. Ray Miller and Delia Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Crabb, Wichita, welcomed their third child June 21, the longest day in the year, but one of the nicest for them.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Workman of Los Angeles, Calif., were visitors at the home of Mr.

and Mrs. Earl Nyquist in Wichita early in July. Mrs. Workman, nee Mae Sigman, and Mrs. Nyquist were schoolmates at the Arkansas School and enjoyed quite a gab-fest during the short time they were together, the Workmen's being in route to Utah and home to California after a visit to Mae's people in Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Beene Watkins, Mina Munz, and Pauline Conwell, Wichita, and Don Miller of Hutchinson took in the picnic given by the deaf residents of Enid, Okla., the end of June. They were quite let down at finding the lake at the Park almost bone dry . . . too low for any swimming . . . so everyone crowded around the plunge operated by the Park Commission. Just as they got good and wet, it started to rain and that literally broke up the gathering of around 40 persons.

The ladies of Wichita's sewing club realized a goodly profit from the sale of chicken dinners at their annual July 4 picnic, which took place at Park Villa this year.

The picnic held for the deaf at Lake Kanopolis, near Salina, on July 8 attracted around 80 people from nearby communities.

Judy and Barbara Scofield, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Scofield of Wichita, are spending the summer with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Heist, in Kansas City. July 16 they were joined by their mother and dad and when Papa returned to Wichita to work, Mrs. Scofield remained with the girls in Kansas City the remainder of their vacation.

## MINNESOTA . . .

The recent Minnepaul Oral Deaf Association gathering at the ICO building turned out to be one of the largest, in attendance, in many years. Folks we had not seen in years turned up and it was a gladsome sight to see old friends on all sides rush joyously to shake the hands of former school mates, neighbors, and buddies they had lost track of down the years. Seldom has there been a happier gathering than that of the Minnepaul Association and receipts of the event showed a nice profit. Door prizes were won by Lorraine Ricci, Lorraine Armstrong, Elmer Loeffler, and Darwin Teeters. Credit for the success of the evening goes to Norbert Brockamp and Louis Ryg and the helping hands of other members of the MODA.

Frank Milan, one of the linotypists on the St. Paul Pioneer Press-Dispatch, took a real vacation just before the hot summer began. Frank drove out west and returned nicely rested up with many interesting tales to tell of the wonders of the West.

Carl Grenier of Redwood Falls, father of our Mrs. Cecil Magnan, passed away the first of May after a lingering illness due to cancer of the mastoid. Mr. Grenier was about age 70. Mr. Oliver Folland, the father of our Rolsy, died May 17 at the age of 79. Mr. Folland, born in Norway, had been in ill health for a long time and his death was not unexpected. He is survived by five sons and one daughter, four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Blode Virkstis of Dearborn, Mich., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schnabel of Hopkins several days during early May and paid a visit to Thompson Hall May 12, where she met many old friends and made new ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Easthouse of Wayzata announce that they have become grandparents with the arrival of a little son born to their son, Douglas, and wife May 20. 'Tis a time for rejoicing, the day you welcome your first grandchild and friends everywhere share in the happiness of Mr. and Mrs. Easthouse and family.

Robert Merlino, '56 graduate of Gallaudet, dropped in to pay his very first visit to Thompson Hall en route home to Seattle, Wash. Former students at Gallaudet were much inter-

ested in hearing of the numerous improvements taking place at the College. As to his plans for the future, Robert said he planned to work in the office of his father's factory in Seattle, and Monica O'Rourke, who accompanied Robert, was wearing his fraternity pin, which hints at matrimony, especially since Monica did not specifically deny rumors that she is not returning to Gallaudet in the fall, although she has completed her sophomore year.

The Ray Perkinses have sold their home in St. Paul with a goodly profit due to the numerous improvements Ray did on the place. They wisely invested in a much nicer home over in Roseville, a suburb located just north of St. Paul.

Friends from all over flocked to Windom May 27 to help Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Potter commemorate their silver wedding anniversary. Guests bidden to the Open House presented the popular couple with many nice gifts. The following week-end, friends traveled to Winnebago to do honor to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stauffer, who celebrated their 25th year of wedded bliss by entertaining a large gathering of well-wishers. During the festivities at the Potters it was made known that their son, Jimmy, had passed his entrance examinations to Gallaudet and, although he still had one more year of school at MSD, he would, nevertheless, enter Gallaudet this September. Smart boy, Jimmy!

Jim Grenell got such an attractive offer for his old car that he jumped at the opportunity to trade it in and he is now behind the wheel of a brand new Ford, a two-door sedan in blue and white. Jim and his pretty wife, Marilyn, promptly took off on a vacation in the new conveyance and had the time of their lives, we hear.

Charles Booth of St. Paul recently completed 41 years of continuous service at Brown-Bigelow, one of the largest printers of calendars in the world. So far, Charles has given no indication of any plans for retirement. His son, Jack, has just completed a course in printing at Dunwoody Institute and is now hunting. We wish you success, Jack.

Visiting Thompson Hall June 2 was Mrs. Mary Slade of Deer River. Mrs. Slade is a frequent visitor to Grand Rapids and, when introduced to Leo Latz, promptly inquired if he were by any chance related to the proprietors of Latz's Economy Store in that city. It turned out that Leo's aunt and uncle own the establishment, although they have now retired and the store is operated by one of their sons, Leo's cousin.

Alby Peterson tells us that Carl Samshal of Gary, Minn., is seriously ill at this writing.

## MATRON WANTED

A vacancy as Matron at the Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf at Torresdale, Philadelphia, is open for a hearing woman who is capable of assuming charge in management and the care of about thirty (30) residents. Preference will be given to one who is familiar with the manual alphabet and possesses a sympathetic attitude toward the aged deaf. The position, besides paying a good salary, provides a nice private room and bath. Interested parties may obtain further particulars by writing to:

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Mr. Samshal is the father of Mrs. Bernice Christensen of Concord, Calif. We hope he will be well again very soon.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to David and Helen Scheer of Minneapolis, who lost their father June 6, following a long illness. Funeral services and interment took place at Big Fork, Minn.

The stork delivered a luscious bundle of femininity to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Swanson of Minneapolis June 4. The baby is their first child and their happiness is wondrous to see.

Warren Nascene was injured in an automobile collision during May when a car hit his broadside at an intersection near the Nascene home. Warren suffered several broken ribs and his car was badly damaged. He plans to buy a new '56 model right soon.

Mrs. Lowell Allman, nee Sheba Latz, took advantage of slack work in Los Angeles by coming home to Minnesota to surprise her family and friends. Sheba was royally entertained by her four sisters, her brother Leo, and her mother, and spent four days visiting in Chicago.

Mrs. Jennie Martenson passed away July 7 at the age of 74. Mrs. Martenson retired from Block-Heller Co. just a few years ago. A graduate of MSD, class of '03, Mrs. Martenson leaves eight nieces and seven nephews to mourn her passing.

Harold S. Lee died July 14 as a result of a stroke, the second he suffered during the past year and a half, during which time he was bed-ridden off and on. Mr. Lee was 73, a member of the NFSD since 1919 and a native of Nebraska. He leaves a son and a daughter and three grandchildren.

## WASHINGTON . . .

Clyde Graham, who came back home to Spokane the forepart of April after living in the East for about thirteen years, where he was employed on the Baltimore Sun, decided to go to Portland, Oregon, to try his luck there as he was not satisfied with his job on a daily here. He is now employed on a daily paper in Portland, and so far likes the job. The main reason he returned home was to help his folks as his mother is bedridden from a broken hip and arthritis. He makes the long trip home frequently to help them over the week-ends.

The June 23rd Fishing Derby was a big success from start to finish and every one seemed to enjoy the day. Many visitors were on hand and some received the smaller prizes although the big prizes went to our champion fishermen (and women) Mr. and Mrs. Luther Sandberg, first prize of \$75.00 and second to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Foley, \$40.00. Mrs. Foley received first prize last year.

Leroy Boren surprised us by getting married on June 9th to Leona Albertson. They will make their home in Spokane.

John Wallace, Russell Willson, Lloyd Henry, Mr. and Mrs. Winchell, all of Spokane and Frank Maio of Priest River, Paul Saffel of Newport. Keith Marshall (sometimes Spokane) were in Great Falls, Montana, for the State Convention held there June 7 to 9th. Mr. and Mrs. Winchell accompanied their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hays of Seattle. Mrs. Hays and Mrs. Winchell were school chums in Montana.

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Barney are very proud folks lately as their only child, Betty, now has a baby son born on Grandpa's birthday, May 18. He has been named Kevin John Newman.

A few of the Spokane deaf gathered at Comstock Park for July 4th for a picnic. Being mid-week few out of towners came this time and owing to late planning many local deaf had other plans for the day, but those who attended enjoyed a chicken dinner as there was enough for all when a few of the ladies got together and each brought fried chicken.

Mrs. John Moore of Ephrata and Mrs. Betty Schwint of Quincy were Spokane visitors for a few days and they tried to visit everyone in town—making their headquarters at the home of the Lawsons while here.

Alfred Goetz, who, with his family, had lived in Ephrata for the past several years, has returned to his former place of employment in Office of Internal Revenue in Tacoma. The rest of the family are still in Ephrata but no doubt will return to Tacoma in the near future.

The Harry Shoenbergs of Bremerton were brief visitors in Spokane recently. They came over to Ritzville to bring their oldest son Larry to the Victor Rehn's place. They all came in to Spokane as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Purvis and called on the Winchells also.

We hear that Mr. and Mrs. Robert Monroe, who have lived in Spokane for some time, have pulled up stakes and moved to California.

Mrs. Ivy Brock of Butte, Montana, was a visitor in town for a couple of weeks as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Francisco.

Mrs. Bessie Robinson was also a visitor at the Francisco home the middle of June.

On June 16th Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Sackville-West were very pleasantly surprised in their home on the occasion of their 40th wedding anniversary. They were enticed out of the house for dinner by Mrs. Larry Harrod and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Berestoff. Then, while they were out, the guests took over the house and arranged a beautiful cake and the fixings. When they returned and turned the lights on they were greeted by around sixty or more friends who had been waiting in the dark for them.

We were all saddened by the untimely death of Mrs. George Sparks of Missoula, Montana. She passed away on June 29th and was buried in Missoula July 2nd. Mrs. Sparks was the former Ruby Olson, who had been employed in the Idaho School for the deaf for thirteen years before her marriage about three years ago to George Sparks. She was a sister of Harry Olson of Spokane. Also surviving are her mother and several brothers and sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Petick of California, were overnight guests of the Franciscos and were in Spokane to take in the reception for the Sackville-Wests. They were on their way home after attending the Montana convention in Great Falls.

Mrs. Elmer Francisco of Spokane and Mrs. John Moore of Ephrata were the only deaf persons from near here to attend the Lutheran Church Conference in Tacoma July 20 to 22. They reported an enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Harrod and small son Rodney spent their vacation in Kentucky visiting their folks and friends. No doubt vacation was all too short as they went by train, which takes up so much time.

## MONTANA . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Abbott and young daughter, Nancy, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mullins in Great Falls around July 8th. The Abbotts reside in Akron where Mr. and Mrs. Mullins used to live.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson have moved back to Montana following a year's residence in California and they recently visited Ruth's folks in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Al Christensen paid a recent visit to Black Hills, S.D., and Mr. and Mrs. Neil Jensen of St. Paul, Minn., were July 10th visitors at the home of the Younggrens in Great Falls.

Miss Mary Bubnash died at Columbus Hospital in Great Falls July 7. Miss Bubnash had been ill for more than six months.

Ervin Bentz of Circle, Montana, is now employed as a floorman at the Great Falls Tribune and Art Miller of North Dakota is also working there. Mrs. Miller is employed at one of the cleaning plants in Great Falls and we learn that the Millers younger daughter is attending high school here whilst their other

daughter is enrolled at Great Falls College of Education, and their only son is serving aboard a submarine.

Bev and Bob LeMieux and baby, Jan, spent two really pleasant weeks up at Medicine Lake with Bev's parents; and Ed and Norma Czernecki toured Glacier and Waterton National Parks on their vacation during July. The Mervin Garretsons spent their vacation getting in some fishing at West Glacier.

Ronald Peterson of Stanford and Cecilia Schaff of Billings are announcing their engagement to be married, and Rudolph Hines of Maryland visited Great Falls during June and told of his engagement to Miss Marlene Skogas, with the ceremony scheduled to take place in August.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Catron and children of Lewiston gave Mrs. Catron's parents a glad-some surprise by coming down to see them during May.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Herbold drove up to visit Bob and Vicky Catron at Lewistown and, it being Victor's birthday, Vicky took advantage of the visit to entertain at a gay birthday party in his honor.

Other visitors hereabouts have been Mrs. Ivy Low of Salt Lake City, who visited the Altops the end of June and took in the Great Falls convention of the MAD the early part of the month, and Miss Frances Barber of Pierre, South Dakota. Miss Barber is Home Economics teacher at the New Mexico School at Santa Fe and is doing some studying at the University of Montana in Missoula during the summer months.

Joanne Kovach, Gallaudet '56, Pat Wilson of San Francisco, Betty Taylor of Louisiana, and Mrs. Alice Amann and daughters of Berkeley, Calif., were welcome visitors to Great Falls June 18. They were guests of the Herbolds in Hingham and Pat drove them up to British Columbia, Seattle, Portland, and Glacier Park in her new '56-Chevrolet. They spoke of visiting Yellowstone and Teton National Parks on their way home.

The Biennial Convention of the Montana Association of the Deaf was held in Great Falls June 7-9 with a reception opening the convention and Mayor Conklin welcoming delegates. Following a business session on Friday morning, the delegates adjourned to attend a picnic at Camp Rotary and returned Saturday morning to elect officers for the coming year. President is Darwin Younggren of Great Falls; Milton Miller, V-P; Raymond Kolander, Secretary; Walter Herbold, Treasurer; Victor Lyons, Board of Directors; Lyle Olsen, second vice-pres.; Edwin Lappin and Bessie Robinson, Board members. Dr. Byron B. Burnes of

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Berkeley, Calif., was the principal speaker and Mary Condon, State Supt. of Schools, addressed the group at the banquet on Saturday night. Registration showed 130 people at the convention.

Mr. Mervin D. Garretson, principal of the Montana School was the Montana representative at the recent N.A.D. Conference in Fulton, Missouri.

## MISSOURI . . .

The Kansas City Chapter of the Missouri Association of the Deaf held its covered dish picnic on June 23rd at 47th and Agnes—a fairly good crowd turned out. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Doyle (nee Leona Hampton) of Long Beach, Calif., attended the picnic while on their vacation in Kansas City.

On June 24th the annual picnic of the Kansas City Club for the Deaf, Inc., was held at Wyandotte Lake in Kansas City, Kan., but rain forced the picnickers to move to the club-rooms. Bill and Marcie Priem, the chairmen, had a big headache keeping people from getting disappointed at the indoor picnic.

During June and early July many of the deaf of Kansas City went out of state for their vacations. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Curtis and family went south to Houston, Texas, to visit Mrs. Curtis' mother for two weeks beginning June 8. Kenneth Standley accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Constance to Colorado, Salt Lake City, Utah, Wyoming, and Idaho Falls and then to Eugene, Oregon. Kenneth visited relatives and then flew home from Oregon.

Mrs. Clarence Pouchere and her mother of St. Joseph, Mo., flew to Los Angeles, Calif., on their three weeks vacation to visit with her sister and family on June 3rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Goldansky of Kansas City flew to Los Angeles on June 8th to meet their son of San Diego, Calif., and to accompany him home. The Goldanskys traveled from Tijuana, Mexico, up to Berkeley, Calif., on their month's vacation. Mrs. Goldansky has many relatives in San Diego, Los Angeles, San Lorenzo, and Oakland. Philip said he fell in love with California and would move if Ida would let him!

Georgetta Graybill took the plane to Las Vegas, Nevada, on June 22, where she spent two days; then flew to Los Angeles to spend five days with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Levy (nee Annie Krpan of K.C.) in Beverly Hills and also with Mr. and Mrs. Fred LaMonte (nee Virginia Thompson of K.C.) in Los Angeles for two days. Then she flew to San Francisco to spend another week with relatives in the Bay Area. She visited the NAD home offices and the California School for the Deaf at Berkeley. At the school Georgetta ran into the Goldanskys with their hostess, Mrs. Abe Rosenblatt and her son on July 3rd. (What a small world! Georgetta says.) The return home was made by TWA on July 8th.

Anton Japins drove his employer, Mrs. Hashinger, and her mother to La Jolla, Calif., in their 1956 air conditioned Lincoln. Leaving Kansas City on June 24, they arrived at their destination on the 27th. Anton had hoped for some free time in which to visit in Los Angeles, but his employer kept him doing some odd jobs until June 30. Then she made a reservation on the fatal TWA flight back to Kansas City, but Anton told her he would rather leave on a later plane so he could spend the day in Los Angeles; she granted him his request and Anton left on a later flight. Lucky for Anton, or he would have been on the TWA which collided with the United Air Lines plane over the Grand Canyon.

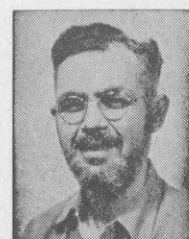
During July Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith toured Colorado in their car; the Frank Becketts and son drove to Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brant followed them to Los Angeles in their car; the Clem Dillenschneiders drove to Tulsa

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# The Silent Printer

By Ray F. Stallo

440 Miriam Way, Route 1  
Colton, California



Have you ever given thought to the kind of world this would be without such a thing as an alphabet? Without your books, newspapers, magazines, or any other printed thing? Simple as it may now appear, after centuries of common use, the invention of the alphabet can be accounted the most remarkable achievement of mankind. Indeed, it may be said to have marked his transition from barbarism to civilization—it enabled him to leave for future generations the accumulated knowledge and history of the ages.

The very first symbols used by prehistoric man in conveying his ideas and recording events were crude pictographs scrawled on bark or leaves, or cast in stone. They were the forerunners of the alphabet, which first began to take definite form with the Phoenicians approximately three thousand years ago. Their alphabet consisted of twenty-two forms, really immature and simple pictures of familiar things, such as an animal, a house, a door, water, an eye or a fish.

Now, why is A the first letter of the alphabet? Because it was simply natural that the Phoenicians, in forming their letters, would select something of utmost importance to man to lead all the rest of the characters. They therefore chose an object representative of food, that is, the ox, or rather the horns of the ox. The character was called "Alef," being represented by two crude diagonal strokes with the apex at the bottom and crossed about midway with a horizontal bar, the bar representing the yoke. Through constant repetition and the endeavor for speed, the symbol was eventually made with one stroke, the horizontal bar becoming a diagonal line. The Greeks, some seven centuries before Christ, introduced symmetry and balance into the A as well as to other characters—the letter was inverted and the name changed to "Alpha." Approximately five centuries later the Romans made still another change—they straightened the cross-bar and called the character "Ah." Eventually this name was changed to "A," which it retains to the present day.

The above is part of an address delivered some years ago by Mr. Sol Hess, the well known type designer for the Lanston Monotype Machine Company. Every one of the letters in our alphabet originated in one way or another just as interestingly as did the letter "A."

It is a group heritage we printers have. The things with which we work and which we take so for granted, our simple A B C's, are indeed the foundations upon which our civilization rests. As Mr. Hess asked, have you ever thought what the world would be like if we had no alphabet?

Here's the September supplement of the National Amalgamated Directory of Silent Printers:

Paul Phillips, Linotype Operator, Spencer-Walker Press, Columbus, Ohio. Brother Paul is another product from that efficient printing class at the Ohio School.

Bert Lependorf, Linotype Operator on Ad Display, Oakland, California, Tribune. Brother Bertt is a product of the Fanwood School and has worked in shops from coast to coast. James Laughlin, operates his own commercial shop in Rapid City, South Dakota. Brother Laughlin attended Gallaudet but we have no further dope on him. How's about dropping us a line about yourself, James?

(He learned the trade in the South Dakota School.—Ed.)

We are honored with a letter from Brother Alexander Fleischman of Silver Springs, Maryland, which contained a very interesting suggestion. Brother Fleischman suggests that we Silent Printers form ourselves into a national body which would work for the welfare of the deaf engaged in the Graphic Arts. Such a body could exert beneficial influence on our school printing classes, could act as liaison between the Silent Printers of the nation and the employers and trade unions. It might reach the stature of requiring its own publication even. We will be very pleased to receive comments from other Silent Printers on Brother Fleischman's suggestion, which we think a very good one.

We have long communicated with our friend and colleague, Mr. W. T. Griffing, in his monthly struggle to meet the dead line with his illuminating and interesting articles. However, we learned at the Fulton Conference that our sympathy was misplaced. It seems that Mr. Griffing harbors a secret desire to sport a luxuriant beard such as ours and holds off sending his copy in until the very last moment, hoping against hope that some miracle will happen and that he can furnish our illustrious editor a photo of himself all bewhiskered.



## SWinging . . .

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and Enid, Okla., and then to Chicago, Ill., in their 1955 Dodge.

Norman Steele drove up to Chicago and then to some towns in Ohio—he must have been lonely driving his 1955 Pontiac alone. Next time take a passenger with you, Norm.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hyde have been spending a lot of week-ends down near the Lake of the Ozarks where Mrs. Hyde's mother bought a lot near Warsaw, Mo., and have been building a cabin there.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Christiansen had as visitors their son, Robert Green and his family from Germany, where he had been stationed for five years. Robert is to be stationed at Fort George Meade in Maryland for the next 18 months. Robert urged the Christiansens to return with him to Maryland for the vacation, and they returned to Kansas City July 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Sillyman of Alabama visited Mr. Sillyman's folks and relatives in Missouri and Kansas on their vacation and between jobs as Willie has a new position in Newark, N.J., where they will make their home.

William Johnson of Houston, Texas, visited his mother and friends in Kansas City. William was reared in Kansas City and lived here until 1938 and he is now considering moving back to Kansas City.

A bridal shower was given Noreen Schwehr on June 22nd at the Grand Avenue Methodist Church. Noreen is a newcomer from Vancouver, Wash., and was married to Elmer Bowers, Jr., on June 30th in a big wedding at the Bible Church in Merriam, Kansas. They left on July 13th for a belated honeymoon in Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Johnson are the proudest parents in Kansas City—the stork brought them a baby girl on July 3rd, their first child, whom they have named Margie Eva. Shirley's sister and her baby of Tacoma, Wash., came down to help Shirley and stayed with her two weeks.

The Kansas City Frat Div. No. 31 and the Auxiliary No. 134 held their annual picnic on July 4th at 47th and Agnes with the largest crowd for years. Our hat's off to Chairman David Gough and his committee consisting of Messrs. Teaney, Ragland, Allman, Ripley, and Mesdames Teaney, Gough, Ragland for their splendid work.

Mrs. Bertha Mathes, Mrs. Virgil Tate and Mrs. Grace Arnett gave a belated wedding shower for Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ripley (nee Laura Maddox of Arkansas) on July 8th at the Heart of America Club. Mr. and Mrs. Ripley were married on March 24. They received lovely gifts and some cash.

On July 3rd, Leo and Harry Jacobs of Oakland, Calif., stopped over in K. C. to visit the Fay Hefingtons. They were on their way to North Carolina in Leo's 1956 Olds, for Leo's wedding on July 14. While in K. C. some "hot-rodders" stripped Leo's Olds of the spark plugs and wires in it. The men were forced to remain in K. C. for two more days while the car was repaired. We hope Leo and Harry were not disappointed in their little mishap and we hope they will come again and again to visit us. Best wishes to Leo and his bride from Kansas City.

Harry Kellner is a very proud grandfather as he now has 14 grandchildren. He has three daughters and one son. The daughter in Harrisburg, Pa., has six children; the one in St. Louis has two girls; the one in K. C. has three and his son has a set of twin sons and one daughter in Mission, Kan.

Mrs. Ralph Clark (nee Rose Eva Baugh), aged 32, was stabbed to death by her husband on July 16 after her husband received a divorce summons. Ralph also wounded himself and was taken to the University of Kansas Medical Center. A death charge was filed

against Ralph, 49 years. Both are products of the Kansas School for the Deaf.

## NEBRASKA . . .

Here's a good fish story that deserves nationwide publicity, every word of it absolutely true, though it may appear unbelievable to some people, but there is the proof to back it right here in Omaha, and anyone is most welcome to see it: James Jelinek, while on vacation in Minnesota during the early part of July, went fishing one day at a private lake and caught exactly 215 fish of various sizes and of different sorts, such as crappie, wall-eye, and perhaps muskie,—all of them at one sitting; they were carefully packed in ice and brought to Omaha and then put away in the Jelinels' deep freeze. It is going to be a long time before Jim and Stella will have the last fish for dinner, so if any of you who may doubt the authenticity of this story and would demand to see and count the fish, why not come all the way to Omaha for a look-see in the deep freeze?

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Teare of Eugene, Oregon, were in Omaha several weeks in July for a visit with Fay's folks, and while here, they called on old deaf friends of whom they have many, and they spent many an hour, re-living the times they had together at the Nebraska School 'way back in the late twenties and early thirties. Fay was quite an athlete then and was on that state championship team in 1931, when NSD conquered all contenders for first place in the high school basketball tournament, among them such big schools as Central and Tech of Omaha, which to this date is a feat not yet duplicated by any other state school for the deaf in the U. S. The Teares were injured in an auto accident along with some other deaf people on the street in South Omaha several years after finishing school, and it left Mrs. Teare partially crippled in the arm and leg. Ever since then they have been together up in Oregon where Fay has a high-paying job as finisher on house-building projects, and though his wife can keep house and walk around a bit, he still takes her up in his strong arms to go out on the street, which certainly shows the man that he is, taking care of her through these many years. Bravo, Fay, and we are all for you!

Mr. and Mrs. John Scheneman are beaming with pride and are about to bust at the buttons, and when one learns the source, he instantly understands and excuses them: it is that their younger son, John W., private in the Army, was recently picked to serve in the Third Infantry Regiment, the Army's top ceremonial unit, with headquarters in Washington, D. C. The Third, oldest active Army regiment, performs at military funerals, parades, and wreath-layings at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and they take care of the 24-hour sentry duty at the Tomb. This is a very large honor for John and it certainly reflects the early training that he received from his parents, and he is only 19 years old.

The William Nobles of Council Bluffs, Iowa, are pulling up stakes to move to California, where they will live closer to their son, LeRoy, who is a supervising teacher at the California School for the Deaf at Berkeley. The Nobles, formerly South Dakota farm people, have lived on a small farm out of CB the past few years, and their son was then principal of the Iowa School. There was a farewell outing on the farm several weeks ago and their many friends of both CB and Omaha availed themselves of the opportunity to come and bid the Nobles goodbye.

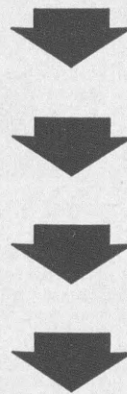
Seen in the company of the Tom Petersons at the NAD picnic on July 1st at NSD were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Edgar of New York City and their three children, two of them twin boys; Mrs. Edgar was formerly Jean Boggan of Elkhorn, Nebr. and is well-known to many of the Nebr. deaf, and they had come to Nebraska

for their annual vacation. Both Tom and Jean were orally educated, having attended private schools for the deaf: Tom at the Wright Oral School in NYC; and Jean at Central Institute in St. Louis and finishing at Brownell Hall for girls in Omaha and attending art school in NYC, where she met Tom. The Edgar family tree is interesting, because they are descendants of John and Priscilla Alden, who should be familiar to all of you, if you have studied American history. Tom's mother is a wealthy widow, living alone in a big, old house on Fifth Avenue in NYC, and his father was a noted surgeon. A few days before their return to New York the Petersons entertained them at a dinner at the King Fong (Chinese restaurant) and afterwards they went night-clubbing, of which there is not very much in Omaha, and perhaps the Edgars would call it mediocre after seeing all that night life in NYC.

There were two wedding anniversary celebrations in Omaha this summer: one, the tenth, on June 17th, for Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ogier of Wakefield, Nebr., who had come to Omaha to visit the Don Boones; and the other, 40th, in honor of the Robert Mullins at their home on North 27th, July 15th. The Ogiers were presented an electric mixer with an accompanying set of bowls, and the Mullins an automatic coffee percolator and some cash. There were many relatives and friends at each affair, and Mrs. Boone and Mrs. Cox did almost all the work in arranging the surprise party for

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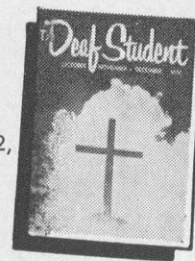
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the Ogiers out on the patio of the Coxes, and the children of the Mullins took care of the 40th anniversary affair. Ernest and Leona Ogier are a young and capable couple, in business for themselves up in northern Nebraska, raising hatching eggs on contract to a big hatchery concern. Mr. Mullins is our President of the NAD and is a commercial photographer.

On July 8th at Elmwood Park in Omaha there were about 75 people, all deaf, who had come for the outing and softball game of the Omaha Club of the Deaf under the direction of William Sinclair, chairman and his wife, Elsie with the assistance of their committee, including the Dale Padens and the Roy Sparks. The game was between the Omaha club and the newly-created Silent Club of Fort Dodge, Iowa, and it was a good game, replete with hits and runs, and the Fort Dodge boys were the victors, 18-15. Originally the committee had planned some games with a gigantic balloon, six feet across, but when it got into the hands of Mrs. Marcelle Cox with her sharp finger nails, it simply busted, and the committee had to change their plans in a hurry.

## CALIFORNIA . . .

A miniature newspaper, headlined "The Stork News," arrived in the mail the other day announcing the arrival of Brenda Rosalyn, 7 lbs. 7 oz., at the home of the Roger Skinners on July 20. The happy parents, Ruth and Roger, were unavailable for comment, the little paper lamented. However, it is safe to predict that folks will be converging on 7325 W. 93rd Place in Los Angeles just as soon as baby Brenda is ready to meet her admiring public and, meanwhile, sincere congratulations are in order.

The Herb Schreibers finally got around to taking a real vacation this year. Along with Nancy and Ken, Herb and Loel spent a week end with the Marvin Thompsons down in Coronado and then, after a few days at home they took off in their new Plymouth for Fresno, whence they made a side trip up to Sequoia National Park and went still farther north to the wonders of Yosemite.

The annual Leg-Show took place at the Los Angeles Club June 16 and prizes for the nicest underpinnings in town went to Mary Honig, Yvette LeLaO, and Lupe Daniels. Also on the same program was a contest to select the southland's best-dressed lassie with Mildred Osterman, Yvette DeLaO, Joy Ann Neilson, and Hazel Durov, and Phyllis Sewell taking honors in the order named. All contest winners were given passes to the LACD for the remainder of the year.

Miss Patricia Tracey and Joseph Pruitt were married June 16 at the Lutheran Church in Inglewood. Patricia comes from the Riverside School and a sweeter lassie there never was! Congratulations, Joe!

Chairman Harmonson is to be congratulated for his planning of the Beach Party the 21st and also his assistants who labored long hours over an outdoor grill cooking hot dogs and huge pots of coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Art C. Johnson returned home to Long Beach July 14 following two months spent in and around Missouri and Illinois and Joe and Cora Park and their son and daughter are back home in San Pedro after two weeks visiting Joe's sister in Dallas, Texas, and parents at Paris, Texas.

Peter Hudson, on vacation up in Canada, relates a hair-raising tale of how he just missed becoming one of the ill-fated passengers aboard one of the planes that crashed in the Grand Canyon last month. Peter was scheduled to take one of the planes but was a bit late and took another one that left half an hour later.

Mrs. C. Letterman and baby have gone to Wyoming where they will spend six weeks at the home of her parents, leaving Cornelius to shift for himself at home in Norwalk. Mrs.

Letterman underwent major surgery just prior to her departure and the visit is mainly to rest and recuperate from her ordeal.

Mr. and Mrs. Jameson of Lubbock, Texas, former residents of southern California, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Harmonson in Compton during mid-July.

Although Lynton Rider explained it all to us in very technical terms, we still don't know just what it was that he invented out at North American Aircraft's Torrence plant. Anyhow, suffice it to say that Lynton receive a top award of \$230 for a labor-saving device he designed for the Company, which makes a practice of rewarding workers who come up with time and money saving inventions.

Rumors are rife that Miss Connie Black will soon yield to the ardent wooing of young Epifanio Arce and say "I Do." Connie and Epifanio announced their engagement just the other week.

Congratulations and best wishes to Belle and Bill Tyhurst of Los Angeles. Belle and Bill invited almost everyone in town to their belated 25th Wedding Anniversary celebration at the Los Angeles Club on Sunday afternoon, July 29, and almost everyone in town was on hand to help them commemorate the glad some occasion, loading them down with gifts and happy mementoes.

Grace and Welsley Townsend left Los Angeles June 15 for a two-weeks auto trip, stopping to visit Wesley's niece at Waco, Texas, and Grace's daughter in Little Rock, Ark. A heavy downpour in Cincinnati forced them to give up plans for visiting friends in that city and the next stop was Columbus, where they stayed with Grace's sister, visited the new buildings at the Ohio School and made the acquaintance of Grace's 4-weeks-old grand-niece. The couple dropped in at the Columbus Club of the Deaf where friends surprised them with gifts, Grace and Wesley having been married just a year ago. Additional stops were made at Kansas City, Mo., and at the home of Wesley's father in Albuquerque, N. M.

Soul and Marcella Brandt welcomed a little son the last week of July and the news came to us via the grape-vine so we are unable to include the baby's name or other statistics, although we extend glad wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Brandt and the new baby. All the new babies have been girls for so long that it is indeed refreshing to record herein the coming of a boy.

Thomas W. Elliott, AAAD Vice-President, was a welcome guest at the Long Beach Club of the Deaf Saturday evening, July 28. Tom is giving all his time and energy these days toward raising funds for the 1957 International Games at Rome, Italy, and tells us that numerous southlanders have already signed up for the trip. Tom gave an interesting talk to members of the LBCD that evening and plans are underway for showing movie films of Rome at the Long Beach Club in early September with all receipts going toward the IG fund. Come, everybody! Tom has pledged himself to raise at least \$500 for the fund. . . let's help him make it! Lynton Rider is planning a party right soon with guests donating toward the IG fund and there will be a big shindig at John and Jerry Fail's house in September with all proceeds turned over to Tom. Wouldn't you consider doing something similar? It would help a lot!

Virginia and Odean Rasmussen, with son Stevie, enjoyed a brief vacation amongst the tall pines of Big Bear Lake during August, their first real vacation in more than two years. All three returned looking rested and quite nicely sun-tanned.

Folks had a whee of a time at the buffet dinner and swimming party hosted by the Barnard Kwitkies at the Max Thompson swimming pool Saturday evening, the 21st of July. Frank and Carolyn Pokorak also invited scores of their close friends to take advantage of the



Roberta Travis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Travis, of Gustine, California, was chosen as Miss Merced County and Queen of the Merced County Fair and Livestock Show in a beauty and talent contest last spring. She is shown here as Mayor John Erreca of Los Banos placed the jeweled crown upon her head. Among the prizes she won were scholarships of \$600 and \$150, a \$50 savings bond, clothing, and a trip to San Francisco. An honor graduate of Gustine Union High School and a talented vocalist, Miss Travis plans to attend the University of Oregon.

new plunge out at the Pokoraks' lovely home in Puente Saturday night, July 28. Tom and Becky Elliott also have a beautiful back-yard swimming pool and, together with the Thompsons and the Pokoraks, enjoy entertaining friends at pool-side these hot summer days.

Notes off our cuff: Newly-weds Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cale have just purchased a new '56 Ford and, as if that was not enough, they are now moving into a new 2-bedroom and den home of their own; Kenneth Willis took unto himself a bride, Jean Mayes of Mexico, Missouri, July 1st. Kenneth hails from Iowa and he and Jean are now living in nearby Inglewood, a suburb of Los Angeles.

IT WAS WARM — Sunday afternoon, August 12, the temperature skedaddled up in the vicinity of the 80's, you remember. That was warm enough in itself, but what made things more torrid at 1527 West 11th Street in Los Angeles, was a housewarming. The address is the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Giles and children and they were taking the Sabbath easy when suddenly a deluge of friends and youngsters descended upon them with food, grog, and gifts by the dozens. Brains behind the party were Faye and Vera Palmer and a glance at a partial list of guests shows such names as Messrs and Mesdames Lester Woodward, Hubert Allen, Andrew Sterling, Robert Broomfield, David McClary, Avery Trapp, Albert Johnson, William Smith, Haskell Walker, Charles Yates, Lon Ramsel, Dennis LeBrocq Bill Oswald, Owen Mays, Homer Vincent, George Tyner, Marion Wildman, Ralph Shade, E. Graves, Earl Lewis, P. Sund, Viril Massey, and Miss Irene Sprague. And, truly, there were dozens upon dozens of others, who made the Giles' housewarming an event never to be forgotten.



## BAY AREA NEWS . . .

Summer news continues to be travel news. Miss Falla Turner, with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Turner and their children and their mother, Mrs. Mary Turner, motored down to Las Vegas on their way to Boulder Dam, Tijuana, Mexico, and Los Angeles. Richard's children were promised a visit to Disneyland on the way back home to San Jose.

Stuart Evans of San Leandro and Harry Bernard of Niles motored to Los Angeles to visit Mr. Evans' sister and brother-in-law for a few days. They enjoyed the famous chicken dinner, blackberry pie, and berry jelly at Knott's Berry Farm, which is one of the well-known spots that must be visited — and don't miss that famous food whenever in the Los Angeles vicinity. They drove on to Long Beach, San Diego, and Tijuana. They visited for one day with Eugene Sullivan and his new wife. He is a carpenter in the fast booming city of North Las Vegas.

Mrs. Jessie Dobson, girls' counselor at the Berkeley School, planned a vacation trip to Akron, Ohio, with a stop in Salt Lake City to see Mr. and Mrs. Hart Wenger, who moved back there from San Francisco. She also planned to stop in Omaha, Iowa, and Chicago.

Miss Rosella Gunderson is spending her vacation in Mexico City and doing some studying at the same time.

Mrs. Betsy Howson and her daughter, Alice, will be off for Europe on August 18. They plan to tour eight countries and will be gone nearly two months. Bon voyage!

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Barlow of Richmond are vacationing in the South, around Los Angeles, and planned to see Disneyland.

Miss Pat Wilson of San Francisco drove northward for her vacation, taking along Mrs. Amann and her children, Betty Taylor, and Joann Kovach. Pat was to visit the Herbolds in Montana, and tour Yellowstone Park.

Mrs. Frieda Meagher of Chicago and Mrs. Mittie Williams, girls' supervisor in the Illinois School, visited in the Bay Area and were tendered a reception by Leo Jacobs and Mrs. Caroline Burnes at Leo's residence. Mrs. Williams left for Project City to visit her oldest son and then expected to return to Los Angeles to visit another son. Mrs. Meagher stayed on with Mrs. Burnes in Oakland, with side trips to a number of places. Mrs. Agnes Zirker took her and Mrs. Florence West to Yosemite Park for one of the side visits. She left for Portland late in July and also planned to visit in several Washington cities and in Minnesota.

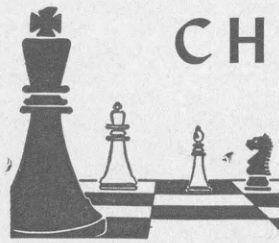
Mrs. Bert Lependorf planned a Bon Voyage party for Mrs. Barbara Babbini and a welcome home from the hospital party for Mrs. Charles Bennett, both at the same time. It was a surprise for both, each thinking it was for the other. Mrs. Exie Bell, Mrs. Bert Neatherly, and Mrs. Florence West helped with the party. Mrs. Bennett recently had a major operation, and Mrs. Babbini and daughters are moving with Mr. Babbini, who is now a Western Air Lines pilot, to Sherman Oaks from Castro Valley.

Roy Schierman of Oakland and Earle Ryan of Sunol recently drove to Washington to see Roy's mother, who has been in the hospital with a long illness. On the way home, they visited some of Roy's old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson of San Francisco have moved to Montana, where Harold hopes to have better luck in finding work.

Mrs. Dolores Jones of San Francisco and Mr. James Duggins of San Jose exchanged wedding vows recently in Las Vegas. They will make their home in San Jose, where James has a job with the Ford plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lloyd and Marlene of Ashville, N. Y., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Akers of Oakland, who took them on a tour of San Francisco and the Bay Area. The Lloyds then went on to Los Angeles and San Diego.



## CHECKMATE!

By "Loco" Ladner



### Collins Wins Third B Tournament

Fred Collins of South Carolina captured his second straight title by winning the Third B Tournament with the fine score of  $7\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ . Second place went to a newcomer, John Bostwick of Ohio, with  $5\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ . Arthur Yule and Arnold Daulton are battling for third. Collins won a book prize, "Winning Chess Traps" by Chernev. Previously he had won the book, "1001 Brilliant Chess Sacrifices and Combinations," by Reinfield. Bostwick won a miniature chess set suitable for carrying around in his pocket. Now that Collins has been elevated to "A" playing, the "B" players will have a chance to win something. And the "A" players better look out for Fred.

In the Second B Tournament won by Collins, four players are still embattled for the runner-up position. They are: Daulton with 5-4; Lacey,  $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$ ; Burnes 6-4 and Gemar 5-6.

The Fourth B Tournament will be underway soon with these players: Arthur Yule, Fred Foster, Joe Gemar, Joe Lacey, John Bostwick, B. B. Burnes. We have room for three or four more players. Entry fee is one dollar. Hurry up and join the fun.

### Fourth National Tournament

With the Third Tournament soon to be completed, it is time to start the Fourth. Accordingly we sent out invitations to Robert Kannapell, Larry Leitson, Juan Font, Russell Chauvenet, Bill Sabin, J. W. Stevenson, Einer Rosenkjar, Fred Collins, Ed Shipley, Emil Ladner. If all accept, it will make for a most interesting tournament among the top notch deaf players of the nation.

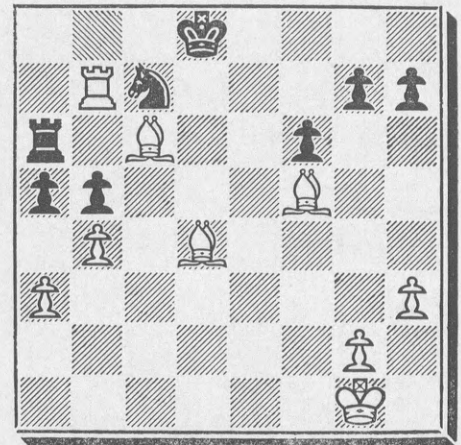
### Chess Hall of Fame

We notice that the deaf have their own Hall of Fame for athletics to honor the outstanding players and coaches. So we thought to ourselves, why not a Hall of Fame for deaf chess players? We sent out cards to the outstanding deaf players asking each to name the five best players in order, not including himself. The five players receiving the most votes will be entered in the Hall of Fame and in addition will be ranked as master players. At first we were thinking of calling them grandmasters but the title of grandmaster is the highest rank reserved for players who have won titles in international competition. That may come some day, possibly during the

Olympics for the Deaf, and until then the rank of master is as high as our deaf players deserve.

In the next issue we will report the results of the voting.

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### Flash — Leitson Is Champion

Word has just reached us that Chauvenet lost to Kannapell and thus assured Leitson of the championship of the Third National Tournament. Tied for second are Kannapell and Chauvenet with 15-5 while Leitson has  $15\frac{1}{2}$ - $3\frac{1}{2}$  with one game remaining. Ladner has 14-5 and a chance to tie for second if he beats Leitson. Font finished with 14-6 and Stevenson with 13-7. All other players finished with more games lost than won.

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# Come-Through Michigan Wins National Crown

**Russell Just Shy of Shot Mark — 53-8 $\frac{3}{4}$**   
**U.S.A. International Games for Deaf Teams Selected**

By Art Kruger

**T**HIS YEAR marks the 14th annual National Mythical School for the Deaf Track and Field Meet. As in the case of all the preceding meets, the results of the various school for the deaf track meets against high schools for the previous spring are compared and run as a national meet. The scoring follows the NCAA method of awarding 10, 8, 6, 4, 2, and 1 points for the first six places.



ART KRUGER

## Michigan Wins Meet

For the third time in fourteen years a school other than California and North Carolina has won the meet. Michigan also turned the trick in 1947 and 1948. Michigan managed to nose out defending champion California by the slim margin of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a point. In eleven of the previous meets the winner's point total was more than Michigan's 51 $\frac{1}{2}$  points this year. The all-time high was North Carolina's 103 points in 1951. California scored 26 less points this year than last and Michigan increased its point total by 30 $\frac{3}{4}$  points over the preceding year.

Past National Champions with total points are as follows:

1939—California .....	92
1940—Iowa .....	76
1941—California .....	94
1946—Indiana .....	78
1947—Michigan .....	70
1948—Michigan .....	49 1/2
1949—Mt. Airy .....	68 1/3
1950—North Carolina .....	56
1951—North Carolina .....	103
1952—North Carolina .....	64
1953—North Carolina .....	58 1/5
1954—North Carolina .....	45
1955—California .....	77
1956—Michigan .....	51 1/2

(Note: There were no national mythical meets from 1942 to 1945, due to the war.)

Michigan, in winning the meet, had the best performances in two of the thirteen events. However, in this regard Iowa holds the record with the best performances for six events. This mark was set in the 1941 meet. Last year California had the best performances in five events.

## The Top Five

There was some change among the top five. Two of the schools that were in the group last year repeated this year. North Carolina, a second place finisher

last year, and a member of the select group for six of the thirteen previous meets, failed to score a point in this year's meet. Since North Carolina started track in 1948, it has won the national title five times and was runner-up once. According to Coach John Kubis, his NCSD track team "stunk to high heaven" this year. Tommy Johnson, Eddie Miller, Glenn Patterson, Owen Bass, and Vernon Hardison were all out for one reason or another. Kubis, however, has some youngsters who may develop in a year or two, but this year they were too little and too green.

This year marked the first appearance for Mississippi and Texas among the leaders. The old standby, California, has been represented ten times in fourteen years, while Iowa has been listed nine times, and Michigan eight times. This year marks Indiana's fourth appearance.

Indiana's third place finish is its highest since 1951. Last year Indiana finished seventh and placed 18th in the 1954 meet. In addition to the schools mentioned, Washington has been represented among the top five six times; Illinois, Nebraska, and Missouri thrice; Arizona, Minnesota, Oklahoma, Kansas, and Tennessee twice each, and Arkansas once. Mt. Airy has had recognition five times.

Because of varying weather and track conditions these meets must not be studied on a one-year basis. By comparing the present meet with previous meets it is possible to determine the relative strength of a school for the deaf as far as school for the deaf track is concerned. The following table shows the total number of points earned over the 14 years. In every instance fractions have been eliminated by raising the fraction to the next highest full point.

Calif. ....	568	Mich. ....	411
Iowa .....	451	N. C. ....	400

**NATIONAL CHAMP** — Joe Russell of Mississippi, a 215-pound wedge of muscles. He repeats as champion in the shot put for the second straight time, and also in the discus for three consecutive years. He's a junior, so he will be a year older and much better next year. His aim next year is to break Joe Hill's shot put record of 54 ft. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$  in. in 1936 and Marvin Tuttle's national mark in the discus at 143 feet in 1949. The past spring Russell had a 53-8 $\frac{3}{4}$  effort in the shot put and tossed the discus 142-4 $\frac{1}{2}$ . He is the BEST of the prospects for the International Games for the Deaf at Rome next year.

Ind. ....	354	S. D. ....	67
Mt. Airy ....	326	Idaho ....	61
Wash. ....	301	Ark. ....	58
Neb. ....	268	La. ....	58
Ill. ....	229	Ore. ....	46
Mo. ....	210	N. J. ....	26
Tenn. ....	206	Fla. ....	20
Minn. ....	195	Ala. ....	16
Kan. ....	123	Ohio ....	15
Okla. ....	115	Ga. ....	10
Miss. ....	113	Md. ....	8
Ariz. ....	106	N. Y. ....	8
N. D. ....	77	Riverside ....	2
Tex. ....	68		

In studying the above table it is interesting to notice that the first six top schools were national champions.

This year's meet saw Maryland scoring points for the first time. Mt. Airy did not have a team for the first time this year, and only North Carolina, Idaho, Oregon, and Florida have not failed to score.

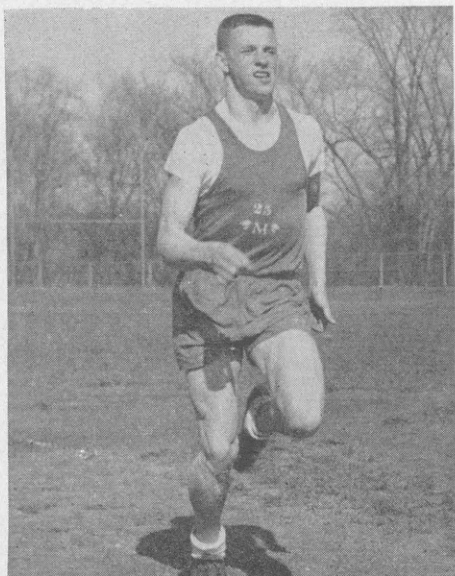
The new California School for the Deaf at Riverside competed in the national meet for the first time and scored two points when Gene Balzar was placed fifth in the 220-yard event.

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Ray Piper, Paul Kerns, Tony Kovacs, Bobby Grum, Jimmy Slyn, Bob Tatum and Jerome Smith were the seven courageous Michigan Tartars who brought Coach Earl Roberts his third national championship.







These are three of seven courageous Michigan School for the Deaf Tartars who brought Coach Earl Roberts his third national mythical championship. Left to right: Paul Kerns, Jerome Smith, and Ray Piper. Both Kerns and Piper, two of the outstanding prospects for the Rome Games, are national champions in mile and 120 high hurdles respectively. Piper also was second in the shot put, while Smith was tied for fourth in the 180 low hurdles.

Earl Roberts had a full hand of come-through performers, but to our way of thinking the champion clutch kid was Ray Piper, the Flint strong man in MSD's all-conquering delegation.

The shot star gave his teammates a shot by bagging important points which had seemed quite unlikely after he was placed third last year behind Joe Russell of Mississippi and Dale Johnson of Minnesota. Piper this year finished second with a 48-8 effort. Piper also aided Michigan when he grabbed the 120-yard high hurdles in 16.5.

Paul Kerns also played the major role in Michigan's third conquest of the National track championship. He beat Tom Rosenlind of California in a great mile duel by one-fifth of a second. His winning time was 4:46.0.

Only a freshman, Kerns had run an outstanding mile all season. His first race was a creditable 5:03, then 5:02.8, then 4:56, and at the regional meet he did 4:46.0 for a new record. In the state finals he placed fourth with a 4:46.4 clocking on a cold day! According to Coach Roberts, Kerns is developing tremendously, following the European style of long distance running, and should do around 4:20 or 4:30 next year.

David Fraley's California Hilltoppers had a triumvirate of timely performers in Jose Gonzales, Kenneth Decker, and Tom Rosenlind as they together scored all 51 points for the defending champion to take runner-up honors in the national trackfest. This is indeed remarkable in spite of the fact that the school had lost several fine tracksters who had finished their athletic eligibility at the Berkeley institution.

Gonzales had a point total of 24 to

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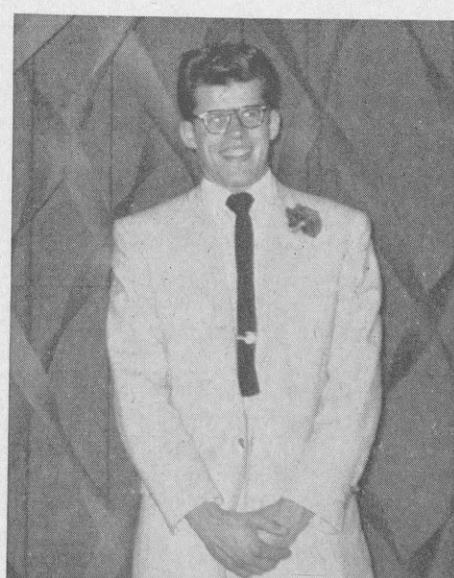
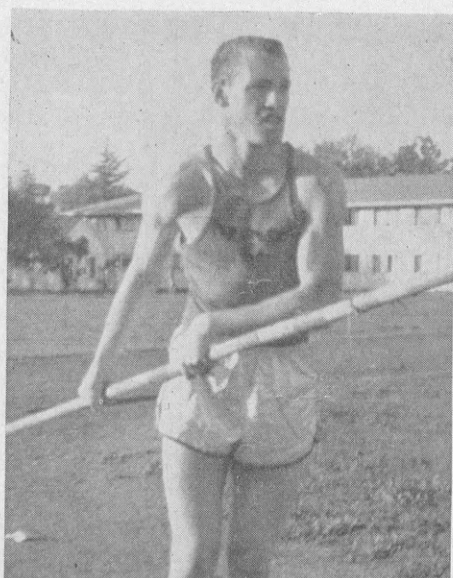
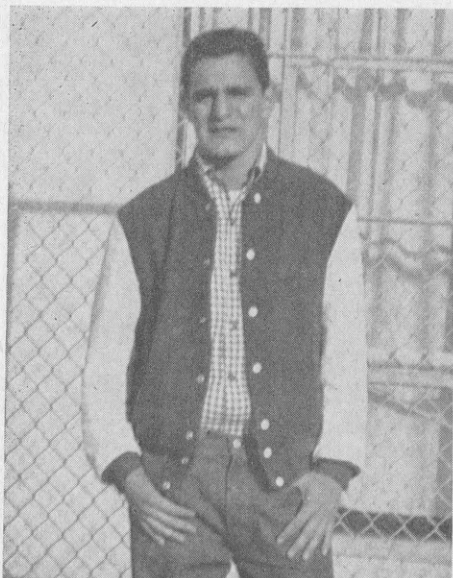
### Track and Field Records

Events	Record	Holder and Country	Year
100 meters	11.2	R. Cantrelle, France	1949
200 meters	22.8	K. G. Astrom, Sweden	1940
400 meters	51.3	B. Baath, Sweden	1945
800 meters	1:57.8	B. Baath, Sweden	1939
1,500 meters	3:59.4	Woller, Germany	1951
5,000 meters	15:04.8	Woller, Germany	1953
10,000 meters	33:01.0	P. Niininkangas, Finland	1936
110 meter hurdles	16.8	A. Alié, France	1938
400 meter hurdles	58.0	V. Koskinen, Finland	1949
4x100 meter relay	45.0	Swedish Team	1939
4x400 meter relay	3:28.8	Swedish Team	1941
1,500 meter relay	3:27.8	Finnish Team	1949
High jump	5ft. 10in.	Grytnes, Norway	1950
Broad jump	22ft. 2½in.	Engberg, Sweden	1943
Pole vault	11ft. 7½in.	E. Keaki-Levijoki, Finland	1952
Shot put (16 lb.)	44ft. 7½in.	W. Kaurela, Finland	1938
Discus (4lb. 6oz)	139ft. 10in.	W. Westlung, Sweden	1937
Javelin	210ft. 2in.	R. Oman	Sweden
Hop, step and jump	45ft. 4½in.	V. Heikkila, Finland	1953

### U.S.A. School for the Deaf Track and Field Records

100 yards	9.8	{Armstrong Elliott, Md.	1935
220 yards	22.2	{Robert Miller, Kansas	1947
440 yards	49.7	Edward Rodman, N. J.	1934
880 yards	2:00.1	Ted Hames, N. C.	1951
Mile	4:38.6	Harold Locke, Iowa	1940
120 yards high hurdles	15.3	Duane McDaniel, N. D.	1955
180 yards low hurdles	20.5	Donald Thurneau, Minn.	1939
200 yards low hurdles	23.6	Eddie Miller, N. C.	1955
High jump	6ft. 2in.	Donald Thurneau, Minn.	1939
Broad jump	22ft. 0in.	Larry Marxer, Iowa	1940
Pole vault	11ft. 7½in.	Edward Rodman, N. J.	1934
Shot Put (12lb.)	54ft. 9½in.	Roger Specht, Calif.	1938
Discus (31lb. 9oz.)	143ft. 0in.	Joe Hill, Calif.	1936
Javelin	180ft. 0in.	Marvin Tuttle, Iowa	1949
880 yard relay	1:32.2	John Chudweicz, Ill.	1933
440 yard relay	45.4	Washington School for Deaf	1939
Mile relay	3:33.9	N. C. School for Deaf	1952
		Calif. School for Deaf	1955





Last year California School for the Deaf won the national mythical track and field championship. Although several of those fine tracksters have finished their athletic eligibility at the Berkeley institution, these three boys together scored 51 points to take runner-up honors in this year's national meet, losing by just  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a point to Michigan. Left to right: Jose Gonzales, Kenneth Decker and Tom Rosenlind. Gonzales repeats as national champion in the 880 with a 2:06.5 effort, and is one of the outstanding prospects for the IGD Games. Decker, another Rome Games prospect, is national champ in the pole vault, and took second in the high jump. Rosenlind lost a great mile duel to Michigan's Paul Kerns by  $\frac{1}{5}$  of a second.

take mythical meet scoring honors. After taking second in the 100-yard dash and third in the 220-yard dash, he copped his specialty, the 880-yard run in 2:06.5, which was made at the annual California Aggie Picnic Day at Davis.

Decker scored California's remaining 18 points. He cleared 10 ft. 10 in. to take pole-vault honors and took second place in the high jump.

#### Russell Scores Double

Joe Russell, Mississippi's shot put sensation, tossed the 12-pound iron ball 53 ft. 8 $\frac{3}{4}$  in. (just one foot and  $\frac{3}{4}$  in. short of the national school for the deaf record).

Russell's prodigious toss was the second best ever made by a deaf prep student. It's exceeded only by the 54-9 $\frac{1}{2}$  national mark of Joe Hill, who made the record while attending California school for the deaf in 1936. Russell, however, went ahead of Marvin Tuttle's best toss of 52-6 in 1949 while performing for the Iowa school. Russell is a junior and has one more year to go, so Hill's standard is within his reach.

The 6 foot Russell, a 215-pound wedge of muscles, scored a double win when he grabbed the discus-throwing title for three straight years. He reached his peak with the 142 ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  in. toss that was accomplished at the district meet. While he is the only deaf prepster in

history to toss over 140 feet three consecutive years, Russell again missed Marvin Tuttle's national record by only 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  inches. He will be a year older and much better next year, so he no doubt will break Tuttle's mark.

Dennis Wernimont, Iowa's basketball Player of the Year, also produced a double triumph. He beat Lavery Killian, Tennessee's speedster, by three seconds in the 220 in 22.8, and zoomed to victory in the 440 in 52.3 Killian, also a junior, however, came on to win the century in 10.2.

Third place Indiana was paced by James Blake, the sensational 15-year-old freshman, who scored 22 digits to take runner-up honors for scoring in the mythical meet. Blake, who packs 175 pounds on a 6-3 frame, won his first national title in the high jump with a leap of 5 ft. 9 $\frac{1}{4}$  in., and took third place in two hurdle events.

Louis Cannon of Louisiana got off the best broad jump of the year at 20 ft.

2 in., while Donald Whetter of North Dakota ran the fastest 180 low hurdles in a slow time of 21.4.

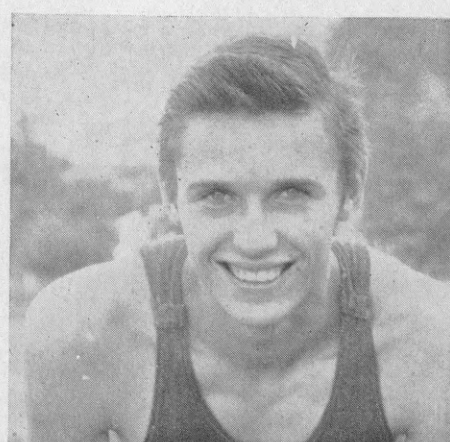
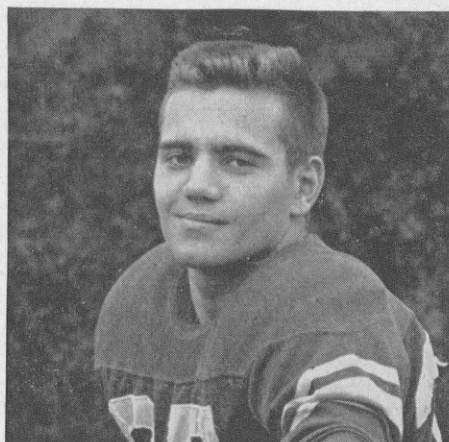
Louisiana got another first place when it won the 880-yard relay in 1:36.5. The foursome of Adams, Heurtin, Baubin, and Cannon far outdistanced Tennessee and Indiana, which gained the other two spots. They were clocked in 1:37.5 and 1:38.6, respectively.

Another Louisiana baton team composed of Adams, Heurtin, White, and Cannon ran the fastest one mile relay of the year when they won first place in the state finals in 3:44.4. Texas had the best time in the 440 relay in 46.4 with Jimmy Alcayde, Griffis Hancock, David Gomez, and Roger Spivey accomplishing the baton feat.

#### How Michigan Took National Title 100-Yard Dash

1—Lavery Killian, Tennessee	10.2
2—Jose Gonzales, California	10.3
3—Robin Teitloff, Illinois	10.5
Jimmy Alcayde, Texas	10.5
5—Eddie Butcher, Oklahoma	10.6
Peter Hernandez, Arizona	10.6

Nation's outstanding speedsters — Lavery Killian of Tennessee (left) and Dennis Wernimont of Iowa. Killian won the 100 in 10.2, but lost to Wernimont in the 220 by 3 seconds. Wernimont won it in 22.8, and also the 440 in 52.3. Both are outstanding prospects for the U.S.A. team in the International Games for the Deaf at Rome next year. Killian, by the way, is an excellent swimmer. Both are juniors.





# International Games for the Deaf Champions

## Track and Field

### 100 Meters

1924—A. Braun, France	11.6
1928—Wlostowski, Poland	11.8
1931—Frøerlund, Denmark	11.6
1935—L. Petzowski, France	11.4
1939—K. G. Astrom, Sweden	11.3
1949—R. Cantrelle, France	11.2*
1953—C. Irvine, Great Britain	11.6

### 200 Meters

1924—P. Reymund, France	23.4
1928—Reynolds, Great Britain	24.2
1931—Frøerlund, Denmark	23.8
1935—P. Reymund, France	23.8
1939—K. G. Astrom, Sweden	22.9*
1949—R. Cantrelle, France	23.6
1953—J. Smith, U.S.A.	23.5

### 400 Meters

1924—Riedinger, France	56.4
1928—Kraemer, Germany	54.8
1931—Frøerlund, Denmark	53.4
1935—K. Milbradt, Germany	52.2
1939—B. Baath, Sweden	51.6*
1949—K. Irri, Finland	52.7
1953—J. Smith, U.S.A.	53.1

### 800 Meters

1924—Riedinger, France	2:13.2
1928—Riedinger, France	2:08.4
1931—T. Christensen, Denmark	2:08.2
1935—A. Hall, Great Britain	1:59.8
1939—B. Baath, Sweden	1:57.8*
1949—D. Beech, Great Britain	2:03.1
1953—A. Nielsen, Denmark	2:00.9

### 1,500 Meters

1924—Van Den Torren, France	4:36.4
1928—Krumholz, Germany	4:31.4
1931—T. Christensen, Denmark	4:25.2
1935—P. Bouscarrat, France	4:23.4
1939—H. Herson, France	4:14.6
1949—K. Gardell, Sweden	4:17.8
1953—B. Vanderlinde, Germany	4:11.0*

### 5,000 Meters

1924—Van Den Torren, France	17:27.6
1928—Krumholz, Germany	16:58.2
1931—Knudsen, Denmark	16:57.2
1935—P. Niinikangas, Finland	16:22.4
1939—P. Niinikangas, Finland	15:50.6
1949—O. Johansson, Sweden	15:33.6
1953—B. Vanderlinde, Germany	15:23.6*

### 10,000 Meters

1924—Van Den Todden, France	36:29.4
1928—Krumholz, Germany	37:06.4
1931—Molsa, Finland	34:11.4
1935—P. Niinikangas, Finland	33:37.4
1939—Erlandsson, Sweden	34:33.2
1949—J. David, France	33:26.4
1953—K. Laakso, Finland	33:14.2*

### 110 Meters Hurdles

1924—Ruelland, France	18.4
1928—E. Pochon, Belgium	19.8
1931—F. Kraemer, Germany	19.6
1935—W. Kaurela, Finland	17.6
1939—C. Thulke, Germany	17.0*
1949—P. Galloy, France	17.7
1953—R. Gut, Switzerland	17.0*

### 400 Meters Hurdles

1924—Ruelland, France	1:02.4
1928—Hudson, Great Britain	1:10.8
1931—F. Kraemer, Germany	1:03.8
1935—A. Alie, France	1:03.8
1939—G. Thulke, Germany	1:00.4
1949—V. Koskinsen, Finland	58.0*
1953—C. Hille, Germany	58.7

### 4x100 Meters Relay

1924—France	47.6
1928—Germany	48.0
1931—Denmark	46.6
1935—France	46.4
1939—Sweden	45.0*
1949—Sweden	45.8
1953—Germany	45.6

### 4x400 Meters Relays

1924—France	3:58.4
1928—France	4:05.2
1931—Denmark	3:45.8
1935—France	2:41.2
1939—Sweden	3:31.6
1949—Sweden	3:30.4*
1953—Finland	3:35.0

### 800x400x200x100 Meters Relay

1928—France	3:46.0
1931—Denmark	3:43.4
1935—Great Britain	3:37.4
1939—Sweden	3:30.4
1949—Sweden	3:27.8*
1953—Germany	3:31.2

### High Jump

1924—Ruelland, France	5-2
1928—Dupré, France	5-1
1931—Nissen, Denmark	5-7
1935—V. Lehtonen, Finland	5-7
1939—W. Westlung, Sweden	5-7
1949—E. Sondergaard, Finland	5-9
1953—E. Sondergaard, Finland	5-9½*

### Broad Jump

1924—Ruelland, France	19-0
1928—P. Reimund, France	20-0
1931—P. Reimund, France	20-9
1935—P. Reimund, France	20-11
1939—K. G. Astrom, Sweden	22-1½*
1949—E. Sondergaard, Finland	21-5
1953—K. G. Astrom, Sweden	20-9

### Pole Vault

1924—Carrier, France	7-2
1928—Hoppel, Germany	7-10
1931—Rostad, Norway	9-10
1935—H. Vassell, Great Britain	10-5
1939—E. Edman, Sweden	10-5
1949—T. Broman, Finland	11-1
1953—E. Keski-Levijoke, Finland	11-5*

### Shot Put

1924—Code, France	31-6
1928—Huffner, Germany	32-0
1931—W. Kaurela, Finland	40-1
1935—W. Kaurela, Finland	43-1½*
1939—W. Kaurela, Finland	42-11
1949—W. Kaurela, Finland	41-1
1953—W. Kaurela, Finland	38-7

### Discus

1924—Ruelland, France	82-0
1928—A. Brunner, France	92-3
1931—Rahm, Sweden	116-4
1935—W. Westlund, Sweden	126-5
1939—W. Westlung, Sweden	127-7*
1949—K. Smedsgaard, Norway	127-0
1953—K. G. Astrom, Sweden	118-5

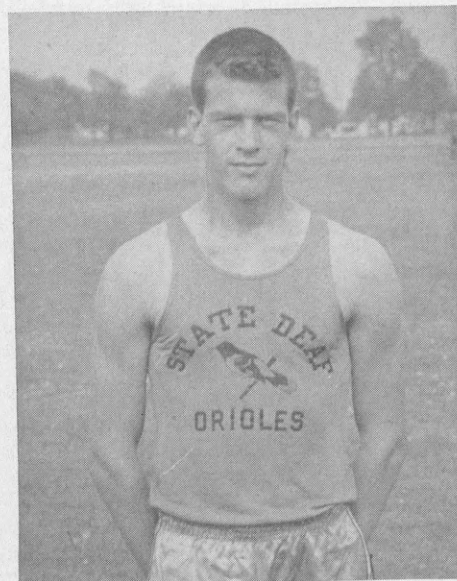
### Javelin

1924—N. Francois, Belgium	97-3
1928—Potega, Poland	124-9
1931—W. Westlung, Sweden	165-1
1935—J. C. Chudziechiewicz, USA	179-11
1939—E. Ojala, Finland	181-1
1949—R. Oman, Sweden	178-6
1953—R. Oman, Sweden	190-10*

### Hop, Step and Jump

1949—Soderstrom, Finland	43.0
1953—V. Keikkila, Finland	45-4½*

\* International Games for the Deaf Record



James Blake, 15-year-old freshman sensation of the Indiana School for the Deaf, who won his first national title when he hoisted his 175 pounds over the high jump bar at 5 ft. 9¼ in. He also was third in both hurdle races. A 6-foot 3-inch athlete, Blake is also one of the outstanding prospects for the Rome classic.

### 220-Yard Dash

1—Dennis Wernimont, Iowa	22.8
2—Lavery Killian, Tennessee	23.1
3—Jose Gonzales, California	23.3
4—Jimmy Alcayde, Texas	23.5
5—Gene Balzer, Riverside	23.6
6—Rozell Phillips, Indiana	23.9

### 440-Yard Dash

1—Dennis Wernimont, Iowa	52.3
2—Wesley McKee, Maryland	53.7
3—Louis Cannon, Louisiana	53.9
4—David Gomez, Texas	54.2
5—Charles Greer, Tennessee	54.3
6—Peter Hernandez, Arizona	54.4

### 880-Yard Run

1—Jose Gonzales, California	2:06.5
2—Bob Tatum, Michigan	2:08.0
3—Gerald Smith, Arkansas	2:08.9
4—Dean Keefe, South Dakota	2:09.0
5—Ronald Nester, Kansas	2:12.0
Robert Downing, Indiana	2:12.0

### Mile Run

1—Paul Kerns, Michigan	4:46.0
2—Tom Rosenlind, California	4:46.2
3—Gerald Smith, Arkansas	4:49.4
4—Dean Keefe, South Dakota	4:50.2
5—Tim Hession, Indiana	5:06.0
6—Donald Valentine, Tennessee	5:07.0

### 120-Yard High Hurdles

1—Hay Piper, Michigan	16.5
2—Martin Davis, Mississippi	16.8
3—James Blake, Indiana	17.0
4—Gene Chandler, Washington	17.4
5—Bobby Jones, Georgia	17.5
6—Dick Smrz, Nebraska	17.9

### 180-Yard Low Hurdles

1—Donald Whetter, North Dakota	21.4
2—Jerry McDade, Indiana	21.5
3—James Blake, Indiana	21.9
4—Jimmy Alcayde, Texas	22.0
Jerome Smith, Michigan	22.0
5—John Imel, Indiana	22.1

### Broad Jump

1—Louis Cannon, Louisiana	20ft. 2in.
2—Sammy Oates, Texas	19ft. 10½in.
3—Peter Hernandez, Arizona	19ft. 6½in.
4—Clarence Young, Indiana	10ft. 4½in.
5—Tony Kovacs, Michigan	19ft. 2in.
6—Lavery Killian, Tennessee	19ft. 2in.

### High Jump

1—James Blake, Indiana	5in. 9¼in.
2—Kenneth Decker, California	5ft. 8in.



- 3—Tony Kovacs, Michigan ..... 5ft. 7in.
- 4—Charles Johnson, Mississippi ..... 5ft. 7in.
- 5—Jimmy Styn, Michigan ..... 5ft. 6in.
- 6—Rabun White, Georgia ..... 5ft. 5in.
- Paul Halverson, North Dakota ..... 5ft. 5in.

#### Pole Vault

- 1—Kenneth Decker, California ..... 10ft. 10in.
- 2—Charles Johnson, Mississippi ..... 10ft. 9in.
- 4—Bobby Grum, Michigan ..... 10ft. 0in.
- 5—Tom Chrisholm, Illinois ..... 9ft. 9in.
- 6—John Strelesky, Indiana ..... 9ft. 6in.
- 3—Tom Wilson, Arizona ..... 10ft. 3in.

#### Discus

- 1—Joe Russell, Mississippi ..... 142ft. 4¼in.
- 2—Dale Johnson, Minnesota ..... 131ft. 0in.
- 3—Bill Zachariasen, Illinois ..... 127ft. 0in.
- 4—Sammy Oates, Texas ..... 125ft. 1in.
- 5—Brian Schnebele, Washington ..... 121ft. 3in.
- 6—Anton Majda, Nebraska ..... 121ft. 0in.

#### Shot Put

- 1—Joe Russell, Mississippi ..... 53ft. 8¾in.
- 2—Ray Piper, Michigan ..... 48ft. 8in.
- 3—Sammy Oates, Texas ..... 47ft. 10in.
- 4—Anton Wajda, Nebraska ..... 47ft. 5¾in.
- 5—Dale Johnson, Minnesota ..... 46ft. 9¾in.
- 6—Clarence Young, Indiana ..... 44ft. 8in.

#### 880-Yard Relay

- 1—Louisiana School for Deaf ..... 1:36.5
- 2—Tennessee School for Deaf ..... 1:37.5
- 3—Indiana School for Deaf ..... 1:38.6
- 4—Washington School for Deaf ..... 1:39.0
- 5—California School for Deaf ..... 1:39.2

**FINAL POINT SCORES** — Michigan, 51½; California, 51; Indiana, 47½; Mississippi, 41; Texas, 34; Tennessee, 30½; Louisiana, 26; Iowa, 20; Arizona, 14½; Illinois, 13; Arkansas, 12; North Dakota, 10½; Minnesota, 10; Washington, 9; So. Dakota, 8; Maryland, 8; Nebraska, 6; Missouri, 3; Georgia, 2½; Riverside, 2; Oklahoma, 1½, and Kansas, 1½.

WHEREAS the VIII International Games for the Deaf will be held in Rome, Italy, beginning August 25 and ending August 30, 1957; and

WHEREAS the Games have imbued competitors and spectators alike with ideals of friendship, chivalry, and comradeship, thus contributing to common understanding and mutual respect among the deaf peoples of the world; and

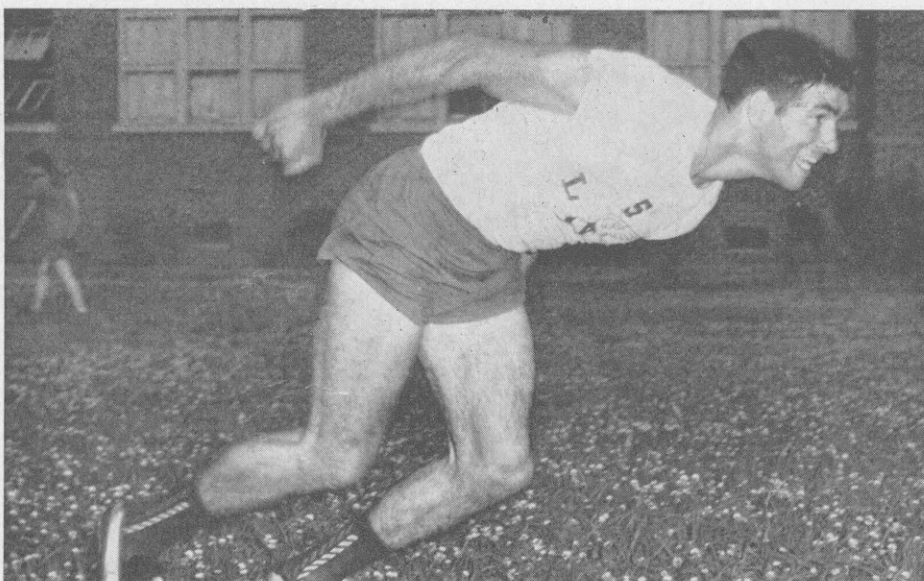
WHEREAS the AAAD at its annual meeting at Cleveland, Ohio, last April calls attention to the fact that the United States International Games for the Deaf Committee is engaged in assuring maximum support for the United States teams which will compete with men and women from more than twenty-seven nations in the forthcoming athletic contests; and

WHEREAS the said meeting requests us to take charge of the players as we are well versed with such selections.

NOW, THEREFORE, since time is short, we do hereby select the following athletes to represent the United States in the forthcoming Games:

100 meters—Garv Tyhurst, Los Angeles Club of the Deaf; Clyde Russell, Tucson Club of the Deaf; Wesley Hargraves, Arkansas School for the Deaf, and Lavory Killian, Tennessee School for the Deaf.

200 meters—Same as those picked for 100 meters.



Louis Cannon of Louisiana capped his brilliant athletic career when he won the national broad jump at 20 ft. 2 in., and placed third in the 440. He, too, is IGD material.

400 meters—Dennis Wernimont, Iowa School for the Deaf; Bob Mister, Council Bluffs Silent Club; Louis Cannon, Louisiana School for the Deaf, and Jack Rampley, Illinois School for the Deaf.

800 meters — Orlando Lugo, Tucson Club of the Deaf; Jose Gonzales, California School for the Deaf, and Gerald Smith, Arkansas School for the Deaf.

1,500 meters — Duane McDaniel, North Dakota; Paul Kerns, Michigan School for the Deaf, and Gerald Smith.

10,000 meters—Duane McDaniel and Steve Kugel of Gallaudet College.

Cross country—Steve Kugel.

100 meters x 4 relay—Killian, Clyde Russell, Hargraves and Tyhurst.

400 meters x 4 relay—Cannon, Rampley, Mister, and Wernimont.

1,500 meters relay (800, 400, 200, 100)—Gonzales, Lugo, Tyhurst and Killian.

110 meter hurdles — Ted McBride, North Carolina; James Blake, Indiana School for the Deaf, and Ray Piper, Michigan School for the Deaf.

400 meter hurdles—Same as those selected for 110 meter hurdles.

High jump—James Blake, Kenneth Decker, California School for the Deaf, and Charles Johnson, Mississippi School for the Deaf.

Broad jump—Bob Mister, Louis Cannon, and Sammy Oates, Texas School for the Deaf.

Pole Vault—Kenneth Decker, Charles Johnson and Ted McBride.

Shot put (16-pound)—Joe Russell, Mississippi School for the Deaf; Ray Piper, Dale Johnson, Minnesota School for the Deaf, and Sammy Oates.

Discus—Joe Russell, Dale Johnson, and James Beacom, Omaha Club of the Deaf.

These above boys are selected because they are consistent performers, do best

when pressed and are fine boys off the field.

#### How U.S.A., Deaf Foreigners Compare

How does the picked American men's International Games for the Deaf track and field team compare with deaf foreigners in the 18 events in which we have now picked our outstanding performers for Rome?

We can give you a quick rundown on that. You have to remember our picks will have to improve their best performances between now and August, 1957.

It would be a surprise, for example, if the United States came off with anything less than a double clean sweep in the sprints.

The 400 meters can well be a one-two-three effort for Uncle Sam. The way they did here we could get three medals for 800 meters.

America should take six out of six medals in the two hurdle races.

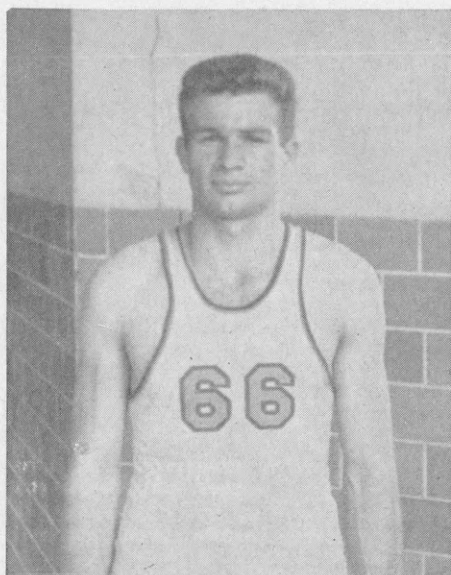
There's trouble ahead in the longer races. In the 1,500, 5,000, and 10,000 we probably haven't a man who can approach those European runners. Duane McDaniel, however, might squeeze into those three longer races. Give us nothing in 5,000 and 10,000, but we have a feeling that McDaniel as well as Paul Kerns could win medals for us in the 1,500, and that Steve Kugel could take the cross country.

Chalk up a sweep in the shot. It could happen in the discus, too, if our boys are right.

Bob Mister seems to be our hope in the broad jump, considering that Europe has several men who have jumped over 20 feet.

James Blake may win the high jump for us. Kenneth Decker, a consistent 10-foot pole vaulter, can make some inroads there.





Gerald Smith of Arkansas, who has been asked to compete in the International Games for the Deaf at Rome for U.S.A. because he is a consistent runner. He, too, is an all around athlete. He played tackle in football, center in basketball, and ran 880 and mile in track. He's 6 feet tall and weighs 175 pounds. In the national track-fest he took third place in both 880 and mile.

We will beat them in those three relays and we must concede both the 20,000 and 50,000 meter walks, as well as the hop-step-jump and the 15 km. walking.

It hardly seems likely that anyone in the world will top R. Oman of Sweden, the only man who does 200 feet as he throws the javelin. However, we are asking several of our giants to try javelin-tossing and maybe they could get some points for us. Those giants are Joe Russell of Mississippi—a mere 6 feet and 215 pounds; Dale Johnson of Minnesota, he weighs 220 pounds and stands 6-0; Ray Piper of Michigan, he's 6 feet 3 inches and weighs about 200 pounds; James Beacom of Nebraska, who is 6 feet 2 inches and 210 pounds, and Sammy Oates of Texas, a 200-pounder.

Unless things change, those athletes might well win the International Games for the Deaf track and field championship for us.

Events for the Rome meet are Track and Field, Swimming, Basketball, Cycling, Soccer, Gymnastics, Handball, Tennis, Shooting, and Ping-Pong.

Track and field events for women include 100 meters, 80 meter hurdles, high jump, broad jump, discus, 8-pound shot put and 100 meters x 4 relay.

Swimming has nine events for men which include 100 meter free style, 400 meters free style, 1,500 meter free style, 100 meter backstroke, 200 meter breaststroke, 4 x 100 meter relay, 3 x 100 meter relay, diving and waterpolo.

For women the swimming events are 100 meter free style, 100 meter breast-

stroke, 200 meter free style, 100 meter backstroke, 200 meter breaststroke, 3 x 50 relay, and 4 x 50 relay.

Following is a list of countries having accepted to compete in the forthcoming Games:

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|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Argentina      | 15. Yugoslavia    |
| 2. Austria        | 16. Norway        |
| 3. Australia      | 17. New Zealand   |
| 4. Belgium        | 18. Holland       |
| 5. Czechoslovakia | 19. Poland        |
| 6. China          | 20. Romania       |
| 7. Denmark        | 21. Spain         |
| 8. Finland        | 22. United States |
| 9. France         | 23. Switzerland   |
| 10. Germany       | 24. Sweden        |
| 11. Great Britain | 25. Hungary       |
| 12. India         | 26. Uruguay       |
| 13. Iran          | 27. Israel        |
| 14. Italy         | 28. Bulgaria      |

Russia and Peru are expected to enter, too.

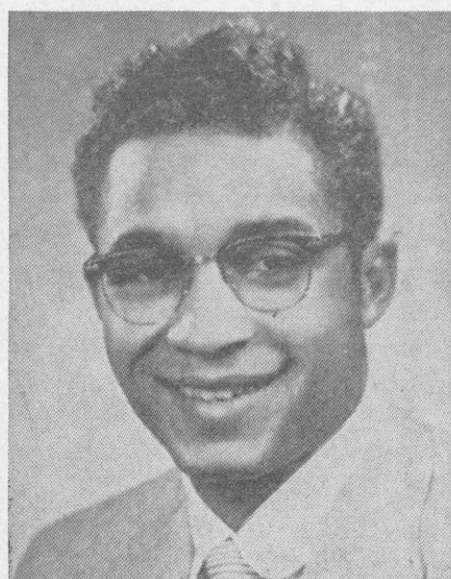
We have already registered for only three events—Track and Field, Basketball and Swimming.

As it was promised to send the 1957 AAAD Champion team to participate in the IGD basketball tournament, a lengthy discussion took place at the recent Cleveland AAAD meeting on whether to send the team or all-stars. It was pointed out by S. Robey Burns, chairman of our IGD Committee, that sending the team has its advantages since the team would be united in play making and that the team players would be able to practice together. All-star players reside miles apart and it would be hard for them to gather for practice sessions and there will be little or no teamwork. Thus it was agreed that the 1957 AAAD Champion will go to Rome with replacements of all-stars by the IGD Committee should some of the team players be unable to make the trip. *It all applies if sufficient funds are available for the team.*

Well, to date some \$3,000 has been raised—a far cry from the set goal of \$25,000.

However, we have already asked those schools for the deaf whose boys have been selected to represent us in track and field competition to find ways and means of raising some dough to send their boys to Rome. We are sure they could raise a pretty good sum if their boys would benefit from it.

And those boys we have selected for track and field could double on the U.S.A. basketball and swimming teams. Clyde Russell, Dennis Wernimont, Bob Mister, Ted McBride, Ray Piper, James Blake, James Beacom, and Joe Russell are all-American cagers, while Lavory Killian and Sammy Oates are excellent swimmers. Paul Baldrige, basketball mentor at the Missouri school for the deaf, said he could raise money if there was a possibility of its being used for his star cager—Eddie Lanig.



Robert Mister, Uncle Sam's best bet to win the broad jump at the Rome meet, graduated from the Iowa School for the Deaf last June. He's 6 feet 3 inches tall and weighs 185 pounds, and was an all-around athlete at the school. He was All-American end in football in 1953; All-American cager in 1953 and 1954; and was national champion in broad jump for three consecutive years, 1952-53-54, with a leap of 21 ft. 8 3/4 in. for his best effort. He was also a fine 400 runner, his best time being 51.5.

Your International Games for the Deaf athletes have the talent to win at Rome.

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## N.A.D. Officials in Conferences in Washington and New York Requested by O.V.R. Director to Consult with Government Agencies

By Robert M. Greenmun, Secretary-Treasurer

AT THE TIME President Burnes was awarded his doctorate at the 1955 Gallaudet Commencement he was invited by Miss Mary E. Switzer, Director of the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation in the United States Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, to confer with various officials within and without the OVR on numerous matters affecting the welfare of the deaf and the services that are available to them.

This series of conferences, which was also attended by Secretary Greenmun, initiated various actions which will have far-reaching consequences of benefit to deaf people everywhere. Board Member Boyce Williams, who is attached to Miss Switzer's staff, played a very important part in these conferences, as he lined up conferees, arranged the time-table of appointments, and sat in on most of the sessions.

The results of the 1955 three-day meeting were so satisfactory, and so many projects and studies resulted therefrom that are still underway, that Dr. Switzer was convinced of the need for further consultations of like manner, and Dr. Burnes was invited to a full week of consultation and conferences June 18-22, 1956. The agenda for this series of meetings was carefully thought out and again Mr. Williams arranged for the necessary appointments. Space was provided in the office of James F. Garrett, the Assistant Director of the OVR, and it was there that most of the meetings were held. Those participating felt it important enough to drop whatever else they may have had on hand and present themselves on the minute of the time appointed. The schedule was rigorous in the extreme, and the participants were, by the end of the week, physically and mentally exhausted, but they felt, considering the positive results achieved, that the effort was well worthwhile.

Readers of *THE SILENT WORKER* will do well to study the following description of the meetings carefully, for what was discussed and accomplished at these meetings is of more than passing interest to the deaf and to all those who are concerned with the welfare of the deaf.

### Orientation and Planning

The entire morning of June 18 was spent in the office of Mr. Williams. The agenda for the coming week was gone over. Major topics of interest were se-

lected, and an effort was made so to organize the work ahead that only the really important matters would be considered during the time that was available. While Dr. Burnes was the officially invited representative of the N.A.D., Secretary Greenmun sat in on this, and on all other sessions of the conference, taking notes of all meetings and assisting in the preparation of the official report for Miss Switzer.

### Office of Program Planning and Evaluation—2-3 p.m. June 18

With Mr. Dabelstein all aspects of the work of the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation affecting the deaf were discussed.

Much time was given to inquiry into the work of the Mental Health Clinic directed by Dr. Kallmann at the New York Psychiatric Institute, and to the possibilities of establishing such a clinic on the West Coast. At this meeting it was strongly urged that Dr. Burnes extend his Eastern trip to include a visit to the Kallmann clinic. While it meant a complete disruption of plans, it was decided that such a visit was important enough to justify the inconvenience, and with the help of the OVR appointments were made in New York City for the following week not only to visit the clinic but to explore other projects of interest to the N.A.D. as well.

Also coming up for discussion were the matters of the Occupational Survey of the Deaf now underway, support of Senate Bill 3558 (Captioned films for the deaf), a possible complete and comprehensive census of the deaf, a demonstration project on speech preservation for the deaf, and the safety record of deaf workers. All of the topics taken up in this discussion were further explored in other conferences during the week.

### International Unit—4-5 p.m. June 18

Miss McVeigh, whose work with the OVR deals mainly with international welfare projects, was extremely helpful. Chief topic of discussion was international relations of the N.A.D. Ways and means of sending an N.A.D. delegation to the next meeting of the World Federation of the Deaf were explored. The N.A.D. officers emphasized that they were not yet sure that the World Federation was the type of organization to which we might fully subscribe, but the international responsibility for leadership was acknowledged and it was felt

that if at all possible a United States delegation should be sent to the next meeting.

It was strongly recommended by Miss McVeigh that a visit be made to the American Foundation for the Blind in New York to inquire into their methods for financing national and international projects. Miss McVeigh also recommended a visit to Mr. Peter Salmon at the Brooklyn Industrial Home for the Blind. Appointments for these visits were arranged by long distance telephone for the following week.

Among the recommendations that went into the report to Miss Switzer and which stemmed from the meeting with Miss McVeigh were: that the OVR collaborate with the N.A.D. in preparing informative materials on American deaf people for international distribution; that the OVR continue to assist the N.A.D. in finding means to satisfy the recognized need for American leadership in international activities for and of the deaf; and that the OVR provide guidance and assistance to the N.A.D. to secure consultative status in the United Nations similar to that now had by the blind.

### Gallaudet College—10-12 a.m. June 19

At this important meeting with Mr. Baxter, the OVR official who is most directly concerned with the planning and administration of Gallaudet College, the conferees were joined by Vice President Jess Smith and by Richard Phillips, Dean of Students at Gallaudet.

Mr. Baxter explained the expansion program at the College. He showed the ground plans and the time table for completion of the various construction projects planned or now underway.

The discussants were enthused by the positive attitude of Mr. Baxter toward the needs of the College. His confidence in the continuation of the construction program was contagious. It was very evident that in Mr. Baxter the deaf have a friend who understands the need for a College that will take the leadership in the struggle to establish sound educational principles for the deaf everywhere.

Dr. Burnes emphasized the vital importance that Gallaudet continue to serve the best interests of the deaf, and to be a developer of qualified educational leaders. Recommendations incorporated into the official report of the conferences



were: That the OVR continue to work closely with the College and with the N.A.D. in carrying out its present expansion program and in attaining its ultimate aim of greater service to all the deaf; and that the OVR cooperate with the N.A.D. in consultation with the schools on the educational needs of the deaf and the necessity for curriculum expansion to keep pace with the rising standards of Gallaudet College while simultaneously enhancing the opportunity for more complete rehabilitation of all the deaf.

Upon completion of the conference with Mr. Baxter, a call was made to the office of Assistant Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, Mr. Mintener, and a half hour in Mr. Mintener's office resulted. Mr. Baxter reported in detail the matters covered in his office. Mr. Mintener, like Mr. Baxter, takes a keen personal interest in the College and in all aspects of work with and for the deaf. Discussion with Dr. Burnes brought out the fact that Mr. Mintener and Dr. Burnes had mutual acquaintances.

#### **Civil Service Commission—1:30-4 p.m. June 19**

During the 1955 conferences it was brought out that certain of the Civil Service written examinations served to handicap deaf applicants who were otherwise fully qualified to perform the duties of the positions for which they sought Civil Service status. As a result of that meeting much work of an experimental nature has been done on a revision of the Federal Service Entrance Examination. This is an examination that is given to those of advanced educational achievement who aspire to the higher grades of Government Service, and is one that had been giving difficulty to Gallaudet graduates.

As a result of the experimental revision, there is about a 60% increase of the chances for Gallaudet graduates to pass this particular examination. This, of course, is only the beginning. If the revisions are successful and practical it can be expected there will be other work done on other examinations to give the deaf applicant a fair chance to compete on equal terms for work which he is qualified to perform. In some instances it is requiring that the administrator of an agency closed to deaf workers justify this policy to the Civil Service Commission. Among such agencies is the United States Post Office Department and indications that deaf applicants will be considered for Post Office positions are now most encouraging.

#### **Gallaudet College Research Department 4:00-5:00 p.m. June 19**

Dr. Fufeld met with the conferees to discuss progress of the Occupational Survey of the Deaf, which is a joint

project of Gallaudet College, The N.A.D., and the OVR. All aspects of the survey were discussed. Especially important topics were the manner in which the survey schedules are to be distributed, administered, coded, and evaluated. Minimum quotas have been set up for each state. At this meeting a number of matters concerning financing of the survey and the contributions of Gallaudet and of the N.A.D. were clarified. All expressed great satisfaction at progress to date.

#### **Bureau of Employment Security 10:00-12:00 a.m. June 20**

This was a follow-up of the discussions of the year before in which were explored ways of making field workers and placement workers within the United States Employment Service better informed on the capabilities of the deaf. At that time it was agreed that use of THE SILENT WORKER might be made to further this purpose. The 1956 conference brought out the fact that the proposals of the year before had not been adequately developed in the interim.

The recommendations that came out of this meeting were quite important. They were: 1. That the N.A.D. conduct a pilot regional training institute on orientation to public service to the deaf. (This pilot project will probably take place on the West Coast). 2. That the N.A.D., B.E.S., Gallaudet College, and the OVR collaborate in developing interviewing guides specific to the deaf. (Some progress has already been made in this important project. Such guides are of great value in properly orienting placement officers and increasing their understanding of the subjects they interview). 3. That OVR, the N.A.D., and interested Federal agencies intensify and broaden public education programs emphasizing the employability of the deaf, to reduce employer resistance throughout the country, especially in the South.

#### **Public Health Service (Rehabilitation Facilities Branch) 2-3:30 p.m., June 20**

Object of this meeting was to discover to what extent homes for the aged and infirm deaf could qualify for aid under Public Law 482, and also to inquire into the establishment of rehabilitation centers for the deaf under Public Law 585.

Lengthy discussion brought out the fact that such homes as we now have cannot qualify for assistance under the Hill-Burton Act (P.L. 482) because they are not open to the general public (being restricted to the deaf) and they are not medical rehabilitation centers.

It was recommended that the OVR design and establish a demonstration rehabilitation facility for the marginal deaf that does not require matching funds; that the OVR keep the N.A.D. informed as to legislative developments in the area of geriatrics so that homes

for the aged may obtain assistance when it is available, and so that a national or regional home for the aged deaf may be promoted; and that the OVR establish a pilot sheltered workshop for the deaf with both terminal and training objectives. That is to say the workshop would both train workers for placement, and would provide employment for marginal workers otherwise not employable.

#### **O.V.R. Training Division 4:00-5:00 p.m. June 20**

This meeting with Mr. Miller, of the training division, was an enthusiastic follow-up of the conference with the Bureau of Employment Security. This meeting resulted in a determination by the N.A.D. to explore every possibility of conducting a pilot regional training institute on orientation to the deaf on the West Coast in June of 1957. Preliminary plans for training psychologists and conducting a fact finding workshop were postponed. Recommendations incorporated into the final official report were: That the OVR provide the N.A.D. with all possible assistance in setting up a pilot orientation to the deaf institute for public and voluntary workers within the next fiscal year; that the OVR continue to give very serious attention to the overwhelming need for qualified psychologists to work with the deaf; and that the N.A.D. and OVR work out the design of a fact-finding workshop on the vocational rehabilitation needs of the deaf and encourage conduction of it.

#### **American Hearing Society 10:00-11:00 a.m. June 21**

This meeting with various officials of the American Hearing Society including Margaret Washington, Creighton Walker, and Eugene Morrill was an attempt to gain the cooperation of the American Hearing Society in setting up speech conservation clinics for the deaf. It was brought out that neither the N.A.D. nor the A.H.S. was financially prepared to sponsor such projects at the present time, although the need for such a program was recognized. Some discussion as to the relative merits of residential vs. day class approaches to the education of the deaf took place. When Mr. Morrill remarked that some pupils presently in residential schools might do better in day schools, Dr. Burnes replied that the same might be said of some pupils presently in day schools—the difference being that the pupil misplaced in a residential school would nevertheless get an education, the one misplaced in a day class would not.

#### **Senate Subcommittee on Juvenile Delinquency, 2-3:30 p.m. June 21**

This meeting, too, was a follow-up on the conferences of the year before. Joining in this discussion was Mr. Louis Balfour, of Washington, D.C., a deaf



man who has made a study of the insidious aspects of beggar-peddling, and who has compiled voluminous material thereon. Chief aspect covered was the influence of beggar-peddlers on young men and women just out of school. Various lines of approach to the overall problem were suggested and explored, final action to be left to the discretion of the Subcommittee.

#### U. S. Information Agency 4:00-5:00 p.m. June 21

The final meeting of the conferees was with Miss Howard of the above agency, and with Miss McVeigh. The possibility of wider distribution of THE SILENT WORKER in order to increase understanding of the status and the needs of the American deaf and to provide helpful information to the deaf in other parts of the world was discussed. It was agreed that 200 back copies of THE SILENT WORKER would be distributed to the Overseas Libraries of the United States Information Service, and that these libraries would be encouraged to subscribe regularly. It was also agreed that the Overseas Information Centers would be supplied with informational material by the N.A.D., and that the N.A.D. would in turn be supplied with clippings of articles or original material concerning the deaf in other lands.

#### Report to Miss Switzer—June 22

Preparation of the report covering the activities of the week took until 4:00 p.m. June 22. The report, as is the case with this article, covered only the main parts of the voluminous discussions. The Secretary's terse notes covered over twenty pages, and this was necessarily reduced to something less than the book-length report that might easily be written.

Miss Switzer expressed herself as being very enthusiastic over what had been accomplished in the week of conferences, and told Dr. Burnes that the OVR had been given enough recommendations to keep the whole department busy for the year to come.

Throughout the week the conferees were assisted by Mr. Rumsey, a specialist on the blind, who interpreted by finger spelling. A number of other personnel within the OVR sat in on various of the meetings and were of great assistance with their comments and advice. Mr. Richard Phillips, Dean of Students at Gallaudet, was an interested participant in the discussions with the Civil Service Commission and the Bureau of Employment Security, and other sessions. Jess Smith was also an interested and helpful participant in the above two meetings.

#### Cincinnati Convention Profits

Included in the income shown in the financial report published last month was the amount of \$2,115.00 represent-

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The Convention report received from Local Committee Chairman LeRoy L. Duning showed total receipts of \$16,282.95, and expenditures amounting to \$12,052.95, leaving a net profit of \$4,230.00. The profit was split half and half between the Greater Cincinnati Silent Club, sponsor of the convention, and the N.A.D.

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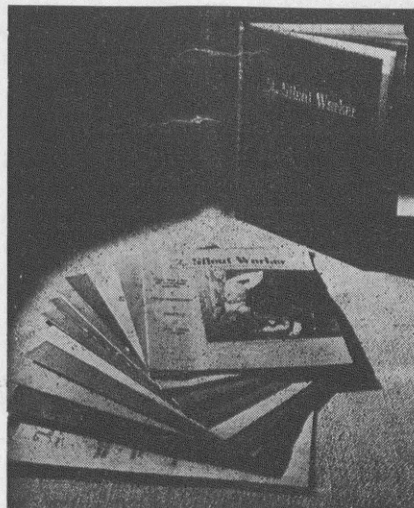
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